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£220k WORK ON FIVE WAYS ISLAND

BY CARL JACKSON

NEARLY a quarter of a million pounds will be spent on repairing one of Cannock Chase's most notorious pot-hole ridden roundabouts, it has been announced.

Five Ways Island in Heath Hayes has been highlighted as one of the most complained about roads in the region in The Chronicle's campaign to shine a spotlight on the potholes problem.

In March there were still 38 outstanding reports of potholes on the roundabout. As of this week that number had risen to 59 complaints including stretches of road directly leading up to the island.

But now it has emerged the council is to invest £220,000 this summer to resurface the road and replace damaged kerbs. The work is scheduled to start in July and last five weeks.

Cannock Chase District Councillor Colin Lea who represents Heath Hayes said: "It is about time. Let's be honest. Five Ways Islands is disgraceful, but it is not the only area that needs money spent on the roads. There are lots of bad roads in the area.

"In general the roads have been neglected, not for the last five years but for the last 20. Not enough has been spent on the problem."

Disruption

Councillor Lea . added: "I think there has just been a lack of money. I am not particularly blaming any particular person or party.

"Now there is some work being done but there needs to be more.

"Too much money is spent on ramps when it could be used to fill in potholes.

"But I think I can speak for all of my constituents and say they want the roads improved. If that means a little bit of disruption then it is a shame.

"But you can't make an omelette without breaking a few eggs."

The works have been confirmed on the council's website. It states: "We will shortly be carrying out significant works in Cannock Road, Heath Hayes (Five Ways Island) to start work on a £220,000 investment in the local area. Our team will be replacing damaged kerbs and resurfacing the carriageway at the Island that serves Cannock Road, Hednesford Road, Norton Lane and Wimblebury Road.

"Access to properties and businesses along the length of the works will be available throughout the job although may be restricted at times as we carry out these essential repairs outside each property.

"We take care to make sure that work is completed with the minimum of disturbance to the local community but as with any major works, some minor traffic delays may occur."

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FAMILY RAISING CASH TO HELP BEREAVED PARENTS

Sam Phillips and partner Carl Dawes, with six-year-old Francesca, who are raising cash to help bereaved parents

'I held her, danced with her and got her dressed, it just felt lovely to have her.'

Those are the treasured moments Sam Phillips had with her stillborn daughter Willow, thanks to a cuddle cot at the hospital.

Now the 34-year-old from Hednesford is trying to raise money to help other grieving parents have their own memories.

Last year Sam and her partner Carl Dawes were looking forward to their first child together and becoming a family of four, with Carl's six-year-old daughter Francesca.

But in October, while Sam was 28 weeks pregnant, they discovered their baby had no heartbeat. She said: "It was devastating. A real shock. Up to then everything was going fine. Two days later I had to deliver and give birth to her naturally."

But staff at Good Hope Hospital in Sutton Coldfield placed Willow into a cuddle cot – a cooling mat which helps preserve stillborn babies – which allowed her family to spend five days with her before finally saying goodbye.

Sam, a teacher at Five Ways Primary in Heath Hayes, said: "When we left the hospital, we left with a memory box and not our baby. It was heartbreaking. But I treasured those five days."

The family are raising money so others in the same tragic situation can have similar experiences. Sam added: "It would have been awful if we never had those days. It saved us having to go back and forth to the morgue."

They have raised enough for another cuddle cot at Good Hope but are now raising cash to provide the facility for another local hospital.

On Saturday night The Samson Blewitt in Hednesford will host a races' night and raffle to raise money for the campaign.

DISTURBANCES

Calls for police probe into latest nuisance

GROWING problems with anti-social behaviour in part of Rugeley have triggered a review by police and council officials.

Councillor Darren Foley, who represents Brereton and Ravenhill on Cannock Chase Council, confirmed he instigated the move after more trouble over the weekend.

In a Facebook post he said: "Following numerous incidents of anti-social behaviour (ASB) in Ravenhill Park this morning [Sunday] I have initiated a community trigger – these can be requested when there have been at least three incidents of ASB reported in a six-month period."

POLITICS

7/7 hero chosen to contest seat

LONDON bombing hero Paul Dadge has been selected to fight the Cannock Chase seat for Labour in the General Election, it has been revealed.

The 40-year-old – who hit the headlines when he was pictured with his arms around 'the woman in the mask' after the 7/7 terror attacks – will take on Conservative incumbent Amanda Milling.

Mr Dadge, who now lives in Hixon, was born in Norton Canes and runs an IT business in the village.

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WATCHDOG

Care home put in special measures

A CARE home is facing closure after inspectors found a string of failings.

Hornegarth House Care Home in Great Wyrley has been placed in special measures by the Care Quality Commission.

The home's safety, effectiveness, leadership and responsiveness were all rated inadequate – the worst possible rating – while the home's care was rated as requires improvement.

A report prepared after inspectors visited the home at the end of March said: "There were not enough staff to offer support to people in a timely manner."

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On-the-run rapist is back in court

Antonio Alves – convicted

A CONVICTED child rapist who posed as a teenage boy to groom his victim appeared at Wolverhampton Crown Court after almost four years on the run.

Antonio Pedro De Olivera Alves fled from his Staffordshire home while on bail in 2013 after being charged with raping a 12-year-old girl in Cannock in 2011.

He was living at Aneurin Bevan Place, Rugeley, and was working in Stafford when he contacted her through the social media website Bebo.

The 45-year-old appeared in court on April 16, 2013 when his trial was set for May 20 of that year but fled from the country 11 days later.

He was convicted in his absence at Stafford Crown Court in June 2013 and sentenced to 11 years in prison.

Mrs Sati Ruck, prosecuting, said it was initially thought he had run away to Portugal and a European Arrest Warrant was issued.

Inquiries later revealed he had set up home in Brazil where he was finally tracked down and arrested in the Jaboatão dos Guararapes region in April last year.

He had been held in custody while extradition proceedings were completed and arrived back in this country on Thursday.

Alves appeared at Wolverhampton Crown Court on Friday with neither legal representation nor an interpretor.

Judge John Wait, who had sentenced the defendant in his absence almost four years ago, further adjourned the case until this week for Alves to be dealt with for breaking the terms of his bail by fleeing the country.

The offence carries a sentence of up to 12 months jail. This could be added to the 11-year term he already faces.

Care home is facing closure after report

A CARE home in Great Wyrley is facing closure after a string of failings were found.

Hornegarth House Care Home, on Walsall Road, has been placed in special measures by the Care Quality Commission and could be forced to close if it does not improve in six months.

A report released by the watchdog said the home was critically understaffed, with residents suffering injuries, medicines being administered days late, and people not being given food and drink soon enough.

The home's safety, effectiveness, leadership and responsiveness were all rated inadequate – the worst possible rating – while the home's care was rated as requires improvement.

A report prepared after inspectors visited the home at the end of March said: "There were not enough staff to offer support to people in a timely manner. The lack of staff within the home meant people had to wait for personal care, meals and medicines.

Evidence

"As the rota was left uncovered, we could not be assured there were the recommended amount of staff available for people. People did not receive medicines as prescribed, because we found medicines from previous days in blister packs.

"When people were prescribed medicines for agitation, we did not see any evidence that people had been agitated when these medicines had been administered. When people needed pain relief, they did not always receive this in a timely manner.

"People were at risk as there were not enough staff to keep them safe. Injuries had occurred within the home due to the lack of staff available. Risks to people were not managed in a safe way."

On the home now being in special measures and facing potential closure, the report added: "The overall rating for this service is 'Inadequate' and the service is therefore in 'special measures'.

It said that another inspection would be carried out within six months, and if there was not enough improvement, then action would be taken to prevent the provider from operating this service, and this would lead to registration being cancelled. Hornegarth House was unavailable for comment.

Thousands enjoy Staffordshire Day

Paul Woodhead comes face to face with a dragon at Hednesford street market

THOUSANDS of people joined in with celebrations for the second Staffordshire Day on Monday.

The inaugural Staffordshire Day was held last year to honour the county's 1,000th anniversary.

This year, dozens of events organised by Enjoy Staffordshire and Staffordshire County Council took place over the weekend.

In Cannock, drivers revved up to the Hednesford Hills Raceway for a series of races throughout Monday, including the annual Caravan Grand Prix, which saw 20 caravans smashed to splinters.

The Curly Magpie Spring Fair brought vintage and handmade collectables to the National Memorial Arboretum on Sunday and Monday.

And Stafford's Katharine House Hospice saw hundreds take part in its charity cycle challenge on Saturday morning.

Food-loving cyclists took part in the Tour De Louis – a 42.6-mile gastro bike ride to the Red Lion at Bradley, The Moat House in Acton Trussell, near Stafford, and The Dog and Doublet in Sandon.

In Lichfield, the Garrick 300 Community Party featured community market, art and local history displays and crafts activities. Darryl Eyers, director for economy at Staffordshire County Council, said: "It's wonderful again to see so many people joining in the Staffordshire Day celebrations and helping to raise the profile of our great county.

"Many of our attractions, businesses and local communities all found their own special way to celebrate and revel in the day."

The date for the annual celebration – May 1 – was chosen by the public in 2015 and marks the creation of Staffordshire's Wedgwood pottery company in 1759.

RAFA branch appointment is a first in its 71 years

THE Cannock Chase branch of the RAF Association has voted a woman into a leading executive post for the first time in its 71-year history.

Val Loughrey, ex-WRAF and holder of the Imperial Service Medal (civil service), has been appointed vice-chairman.

The former Wolverhampton Girls' High School pupil, who lives in Cannock, spent nine years in the RAF.

Val Loughrey

Also new in post is local councillor Brian Gamble, who becomes chairman.

"Generally, the public views ex-service organisations as largely the domain of grumpy old men sitting in darkened bars reliving the past," said branch spokesman Lawrence McGowan.

"We've been addressing this image for some time in an attempt to welcome more women into membership. Val's service record and civilian work in the Ministry of Defence, coupled with Brian's extensive local government and welfare knowledge, adds a new dimension to our programme for the future.

"Poor public transport locally and personal security issues have put some women off attending evening branch meetings. We have addressed the issue by changing from Friday 8pm meetings to a Saturday lunchtime. We are also emphasising that membership does not depend on military service."

The branch has launched an appeal to locate local members of the RAF family in time for the start of RAF centenary celebrations in October this year. Contact secretarycannock@hotmail.com

Three held after early-hours chase

STAFFORDSHIRE Police officers made three arrests for drug offences in Cannock Chase in the early hours of the morning.

They arrested two men and a woman on Friday on suspicion of drug offences after officers had pursued a car from Heath Hayes to Stile Cop Road near Rugeley. The two men, aged 27 and 28, and a woman, 23, all from the Cannock area, were arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply.

The 28-year-old driver was also arrested for failing to stop and dangerous driving. A spokesman for the force said: "The incident began in the Heath Hayes area just before 2am, and the car was pursued along the A34 and A460."

Pub quiz to raise funds for charity

A QUIZ in aid of Link4Life takes place at Hawkins Sports & Social Club in Cheslyn Hay tonight (Friday) from 8.30pm onwards.

The last fundraising quiz at the Coppice Lane club raised £780 in aid of Walsall St Giles Hospice.

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Wolves fans banned for trouble at local derby

A GROUP of Wolves supporters caught throwing plastic bottles, lighters, a broken seat and a coin during a Birmingham City derby have been banned from matches for three years.

The six men were each given a football banning order following the February 24 Championship league fixture, which was labelled as one of the 'worst occasions' of crowd behaviour.

The disorder broke out when Blues player David Davis – formerly of Wolves – celebrated the 2-1 win in front of fans at Molineux.

The group, who had attended the match separately, then began to lob items towards the pitch and Blues fans from the South Bank Jack Haywood stand. More than 80 seats were broken and dozens of coins thrown during the game.

Paul Deakin, aged 54, from Charles Street, Willenhall, Iain Hills, 20, from Clifton Street, Sedgley, Alex Price, 26, from Pale Street, Dudley, Jamie Smith, 32, from Park Lane, Wolverhampton, George White, 18, from Warash Close, Wolverhampton and Luke Elsmore, 30, from Burton Old Road East, Lichfield, all pleaded guilty to throwing a missile at the spectators area.

Miss Val Hart, prosecuting, told Walsall Magistrates Court: "It was a high-risk match with 150 police officers working. It was one of the worst occasions of in-crowd behaviour during a match."

As well as the ban, all of the men were fined £100 and ordered to pay £135 costs and a £30 victim surcharge.

County A&E will stay open – MP

STAFFORD MP Jeremy Lefroy has moved to reassure residents that there are no plans to close County Hospital's A&E unit after speaking with hospital bosses.

The Staffordshire Sustainability and Transformation Plan said one of the county's three major emergency departments – Stafford's County Hospital, Royal Stoke, or Queen's in Burton – needs to be downgraded into an urgent care centre.

Mr Lefroy has said that he spoke with Paula Clark, the University Hospitals North Midlands chief executive, to address fears on behalf of residents.

He said: "She made it very clear to me that there is no intention of removing or closing the County Hospital's accident and emergency unit."

Neighbours win postcode prize

A CANNOCK postcode – WS11 1QF – has landed the People's Postcode Lottery's daily prize.

The six Dorchester Road neighbours who play with the postcode have scooped £1,000 each.

Crime on increase for third year in row

CRIME in Staffordshire has risen for the third successive year, with sexual offences and other violent incidents on the increase.

Offences have gone up by 14 per cent in the space of a year, to 75,364 offences in 2016, according to the National Office of Statistics. Public order offences saw the biggest increase between 2015 and last year, with 3,251 offences – up 45 per cent.

Sexual offences rose 25 per cent to 2,758 and incidents of violence against a person went up 22 per cent to 25,778 incidents by the end of December 2016. Crime in Cannock Chase rose 11 per cent to 6,054. Violence against a person went up four per cent to 797 incidents. Sexual offences went up 20 per cent to 194 incidents.

Incidents of arson rose 12 per cent, while drug offences dropped by nine per cent to 162 incidents.

Crime in South Staffordshire rose 13 per cent in the same period. Violence without injury, such as kidnapping and harassment, has gone up by 50 per cent to 902 incidents, along with violence with injury which saw a rise of 26 per cent to 707 incidents. However, criminal damage and arson dropped by 14 per cent.

In Stafford, crime rose by almost six per cent to 6,826. Violence without injury rose 20 per cent to 1,304 incidents along with criminal damage and arson which increased 12 per cent.

However, vehicle offences have dropped by more than 22 per cent and bicycle theft dropped 14 per cent.

Crime in Lichfield also rose – by 13 per cent – to 4,761. Crime without injury has risen again in the area to 884 incidents – 41 per cent. Shoplifting in Lichfield has gone up 40 per cent to 455 incidents, along with sexual offences which have increased by 26 per cent to 191 incidents.

However, similar to South Staffordshire, criminal damage and arson has dropped by three per cent.

Nick Baker, Deputy Chief Constable of Staffordshire, said: "The force has a focus on reducing crime but this is balanced against the need to behave with integrity and to do the right thing for victims. The force deals with a wide range of incidents that are not crime-related. These account for 78 per cent of all incidents recorded."

Driver jailed over death of wheelchair woman

A MAN who was driving when a 'tragic and devastating' collision saw a mother killed and her daughter seriously injured has been sent to prison for two years.

A court heard that Terry Lowe's vision had been impaired by the glare of the sun and he had not seen the victims.

Ann Walton, aged 79, had been out with her daughter Susan, 59, and their dog in Jones Lane, Great Wyrley, when they were hit by a Ford Focus driven by Terry Lowe, 32.

Ann, who was being pushed in a wheelchair by her daughter, died as a result of the impact, while her daughter, who was 57 at the time, has been left unable to care for herself and now suffers from epileptic fits as well as short-term memory loss and feelings of fear.

Stafford Crown Court heard how the pair would often go out along the route to keep active. The tragedy on July 30 last year happened when Lowe, from Ivy Close, Cannock, failed to see them walking due to the glare of the sunlight impairing his vision.

Vision

Lowe was given a two-year prison sentence and a four-year driving ban after pleading guilty to one count of causing death by careless driving and one count of causing serious injury by careless driving.

Mr Howard Searle, prosecuting, said: "The road has a 60mph speed limit imposed on it but the defendant was driving between 35 and 43mph.

"However, his vision was impaired due to the glare of the sun, and he told police in interview that the first he knew of the victims was when he hit them. Susan was sent onto and over the bonnet of the car, while Ann was sent into a grass verge on the side of the road.

"Her injuries were unfortunately fatal, and Susan's have turned her life upside down."

The court heard how Lowe, who had a clean driving licence, was driving with family in his car at the time and stayed at the scene to assist police. Defence solicitor Harry Owen said his client 'felt complete, genuine remorse' over what had happened and labelled the incident 'a tragic accident'.

He said: "I want to make it clear that at no point in the lead-up to today's sentencing has the defendant once showed any concern over what will happen to him. His thoughts are entirely with the family and the victims".

Aysel and Arkin Arnavut are celebrating after the Swan Island Fish Bar in Cannock Road, Burntwood, was named best in Staffordshire

Couple's joy at chippie award

A BURNTWOOD chippie has come out on top in the search for Staffordshire's Chip Shop of the Year.

Family-run Swan Island Fish Bar in Cannock Road, fended off stiff competition from shops across the county to take the title.

Aysel and Arkin Arnavut have been running the chippie for four years and transformed it from a one-star food hygiene establishment to five star in a year. The couple thanked their loyal customers for their support.

Mrs Arnavut said: "My husband had managed a very busy fish sop in Birmingham for years and has 15 years of experience so we decided to start the business in Burntwood.

"We love doing it. It's a family-run business, and we've got a great team of five girls behind us."

Previously called Olympus Fish Bar, the owners changed the name when they took over but the building has been a fish and chip shop for the past 50 years.

The runner-up in Staffordshire was Off The Hook in Mill Street, Stafford, with Tasty Bites in John Street, Wimblebury, third.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Abduction attempt did not take place

POLICE have moved to reassure residents after confirming that an alleged 'suspicious incident' in Chadsmoor did not take place.

Staffordshire Police had received a report that a man in a black car with tinted windows approached a teenager and asked her to get into the car.

However, officers have since said the incident alleged to have happened on April 25 did not take place.

A force spokesman said: "We would like to reassure the community that all such reports made to us are treated extremely seriously."

Digger damaged in vandal attack

A DIGGER was damaged to the tune of £3,000 and hundreds of potatoes were ruined when vandals struck near Penkridge.

The JCB telescopic loader was targeted in the Whiston area overnight between Monday night and Tuesday morning last week. The culprits used screwdrivers to smash through the front of the vehicle in the attack.

Staffordshire Police has now issued an appeal for information. PCSO Louise Jones said anyone with information should call 101, quoting reference number 161 of 25/4/2017.

Police plea after alleyway attack

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a 25-year-old was attacked in Hednesford, leaving him with head and facial injuries.

The incident happened at 8.15pm on April 15 when the victim was set upon in the alleyway between B&M and the Victoria Street car park after he was followed by seven teenagers.

One is described as a girl, aged about 14, 5ft, slim, with long dark hair and a spotty complexion. Another is a boy, aged about 14, with ginger hair.

Group in spring tidy-up at canal embankment

CANAL enthusiasts have organised a 'spring tidy-up' in Rugeley tomorrow (Friday) from 9.30am to 3pm.

Volunteers with the Lichfield branch of the Inland Waterways Association will be litter picking and cutting back vegetation near Brindley Bank Aqueduct. They will also be putting up bat boxes.

The meeting point is the Bloody Steps, off Wolseley Road. For details call 07581 794111 or email margaret.beardsmore@waterways.org.uk

Walking from the Edge

CHASE Ramblers' walk this Sunday is a nine-mile moderate route from Wenlock Edge, meeting as usual at Hednesford railway station car park in Anglesey Street, Hednesford, for a 9am prompt departure. For further details, contact John on 01543 677816. New walkers are welcome.

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COUNTY NEWS

City apartments given go-ahead

AN eyesore site, formerly used as a camp by the homeless, will be given a new lease of life as apartments.

The prime spot on the corner of Victoria Street and Cleveland Street in Wolverhampton has become overgrown since derelict buildings were demolished in 2014.

But now the city council's planning committee have approved plans for a building containing 18 flats.

The site, which featured on the BBC's Drugs Map of Britain, will be transformed by Panther Properties Ltd. The development will see a four-storey building to provide retail space on the ground floor with 18 one and two-bedroom apartments above.

Appeal is made on tackling pollution

CAMPAIGNERS have urged West Midlands mayor candidates to commit to tackling air pollution.

A doctor from Sandwell and West Birmingham NHS Hospitals Trust and academics from the University of Birmingham have signed a letter to the candidates. They said: "From Wolverhampton to Coventry, legal limits of air pollution are broken in every local authority in the West Midlands. We need our leaders to act."

Sarah Gray, of the British Lung Foundation, said: "Air pollution is pernicious in the way that it unknowingly finds its way into our respiratory system."

Lions roar back in 140-mile ride

TWO Midland members of a national organisation cycled from Blackpool to Birmingham in aid of charity.

Simon Moss and Japp De Jonge from Birmingham arrived in the city on Monday.

They attended the annual convention of Lions Clubs of England Scotland, Wales and Ireland which was held in the seaside town on Saturday – and cycled back.

Their journey was more than 140 miles which raised funds for charity Hearing Dogs for the Deaf.

Comic's show is Wehn upgrade takes place

COMEDIAN Henning Wehn's Wolverhampton show has been upgraded to the Civic Hall due popular demand.

The German comic was due to perform at the Wulfrun Hall later this year, but has now been moved.

He will now be at the Civic on October 27. Tickets are available at wolvescivic.co.uk

It's all red at library

THE Library of Birmingham was lit up in red to mark the 50th anniversary of housing charity Crisis, which is campaigning for more research to tackle homelessness. The city council showed its support for the charity last Monday night.

Election is a battle of the 'tip tax'

VOTERS in Staffordshire head to the polls today (Thursday) with the 'tip tax' dominating the county council election campaign.

All 62 seats are being contested, with the ruling Conservative group expected to retain control of the authority despite four years of austerity and cuts to youth clubs, libraries and support services for the elderly.

Opposition Labour councillors have vowed to scrap waste disposal charges dubbed the 'tip tax'.

But the Tories are standing by the charges. Conservative deputy leader Ian Parry, who is defending his seat in the Stone Rural ward, said: "We think it is fair that material that is clearly trade waste should be charged for and anybody that is bringing domestic waste will not be charged. We want to make that absolutely clear."

Mr Parry said he was not complacent about the election, adding: "We do not count chickens, we count votes."

The Conservatives hold 32 seats compared with Labour's 24 but have also come under fire over potholes. Labour is contesting all 23 seats around Stafford, Cannock Chase and South Staffordshire, while the Green Party is contesting all but one.

Both parties have said they will scrap the new waste charges. UKIP and the Liberal Democrats are also against the scheme.

Polling stations are open from 7am until 10pm. The results will be announced from midday on Friday.

Payouts and few repairs but still hole lot of fury

TOP OF THE POTS

POTHOLES are making headlines again this week with more reports of damaged roads from readers, some good news in Staffordshire and anger in the Black Country as one road is repaired – ahead of major works!

In Pensnett, council workers were spotted filling in holes on the High Street sparking comment on Twitter as the road is set undergo roadworks.

There is a £6 million scheme planned which will see it widened and have new pedestrian crossings. However ward councillor Judy Foster said action was needed now to deal with the hazardous road. She said: "The new scheme is at the High Oak End and we are aware that there are some ruts in the road at the junction with High Street near that location which might pose a hazard for pedestrians."

Meanwhile, work has at last begun repairing a succession of potholes and sunken drains around the junction 11 island of the M6.

Compensation

Figures revealed by the Chronicle last week showed payouts of £3,360 had been made to drivers for damage caused in the area over the last four years. In total compensation payments of almost £350,000 have been paid out by Staffordshire County Council because of damage caused by potholes in the last four years – with one driver receiving more than £4,600, the figures have revealed.

But reports are still coming in. Glenn Sealey of Cannock sent us a picture of a severe pothole on the road out of Cannock, in Heath Hayes.

He said: "For anyone hitting it goes in on a downward slide, and then hits the almost vertical wall meaning a small car could become trapped and as it would be under way a serious incident would occur. A large car could sustain damage. Anyone on a motorcycle is going to be off with the consequences of being hit by other traffic."

Jo Well reported a number of large deep potholes on the A449 between Stewponey junction and Lawnswood Rd junction in Kingswinford. She said: "There is a strong possibility of an accident on this busy, fast road as drivers swerve to avoid them."

Adrian Gallis complained that Wombourne in South Staffordshire had been 'seemingly forgotten by Staffordshire highways department'.

Richard Sears reported a pothole at the entrance of the Chase Golf Club and Spa

Glenn Sealey, of Cannock, sent us a picture of a deep pothole on a road in Heath Hayes

A reader sent us a picture of this deep hole in Love Lane, Great Wyrley, regularly used as a rat run

In Pensnett workers were filling in holes on the High Street which is due to undergo roadworks

He said: "The whole village is blighted by potholes but one of the worst roads is a 200m stretch of Station Road starting at Ounsdale Road, there are at least 20 holes, some 3ins deep and others up to 3ft long. The potholes also continue down Bull Meadow Lane. Some holes in these roads were paint marked for repair months ago."

But even the repairs are being questioned. Staffordshire reader Richard Sears, of Hednesford, reported a pothole at the entrance of the Chase Golf Club and Spa on Pottal Pool Road in Cannock in February.

He said: "On the 27th April I received an email from Staffordshire County Council informing me that the pothole had been fixed. On the 29th April I visited the Golf Club and took the opportunity to inspect the repaired pothole. Indeed a repair had been made to the damaged area but unsurprisingly because the repair could best be described as shoddy, a pothole is already developing."

And another reader sent us a picture of a deep hole in Love Lane, Great Wyrley, which is regularly used as a rat run for traffic trying to escape the A34 Walsall Road through the village.

The Chronicle has invited readers to help us find the most pothole-plagued roads in the area which we will be flagging up to highways authorities and pushing for priority repairs. We will be revealing the most problematic areas soon.

Dealer, 26, sent to jail over £10k drugs find

A FORMER forklift truck driver has been jailed after a £10,000 stash of drugs was found at an industrial unit.

Police swooped on Platinum Tyres in Essington after seeing Syed Imam selling drugs to a van driver. Officers obtained a warrant to search the business he ran from the Hilton Main Industrial Estate in Bognop Road.

They found £1,500 in cash, two mobile phones and the keys to the industrial unit along with wraps of heroin and cocaine, Mr Charles Crinion, prosecuting, told Wolverhampton Crown Court. A search of the unit revealed more heroin and crack with a combined street value of £10,000.

Imam was released pending further investigations and was still on bail when police stopped a VW Polo being driven despite extensive damage. He and Syed Hasnain were passengers.

Cocaine valued at £630 was discovered during a strip search of 28-year-old Hasnain, who had been jailed for 32 months in 2013 for an earlier drug dealing offence, the court heard.

Mr Michael Anning, defending, said Imam got hooked on hard drugs after losing his job in 2015. Mr David Munro, representing Hasnain, said: "There is no excuse for what he did and he makes none."

Imam, 26, of Crosby Close, Whitmore Reans, admitted three offences of possessing cocaine and heroin with intent to supply and was jailed for five-and-a-half years. Hasnain, of Tettenhall Road, Wolverhampton, pleaded guilty to a single offence and was jailed for two years, 10 months.

Dates set for the 2017 ale festival

THE fourth Cannock Chase Camra Real Ale and Cider Festival will take place from September 21 to 23.

It will feature 63 ales and 20 ciders and perries along with the return of the popular International Bottled Beer Bar.

As well as a tombola, hot and cold food will be available at all sessions and there will be live entertainment on all three days.

Admission to the festival at the Prince of Wales Theatre, in Church Street, Cannock, is £3 for non-Camra members, £2 for seniors, students and HM Forces and £1 for Camra members.

There will be a £10 package available to include admission, programme, souvenir festival glass and beer tokens.

Force preparing for its open day

SUNDAY, June 4 has been announced as the date for this year's open day at Staffordshire Police Headquarters.

There is a dedicated section on the force's website – www.staffordshire.police.uk/openday17 – which has all the details of the event to date.

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'Power' fund helps sporty youngsters reach goals

AN organisation in Cannock is providing sporting activities for young people thanks to a grant from the Police and Crime Commissioner's People Power Fund.

Achieving Goalz and Dreams is aiming to reduce anti-social behaviour across the district by encouraging young people to attend and take part in a range of sporting activities.

Young people have the opportunity to attend sessions and take part in activities including indoor and outdoor circuit training, boxercise, and basketball. They were also awarded funding to establish a street pentathlon programme which includes bike riding, circuit and weight training and football.

Achieving Goalz and Dreams were awarded £6,000 across the two projects.

Bal Sing, founder of Achieving Goalz and Dreams, said: "The funding has helped us to put the activities on and engage with the young people to keep them off the streets.

"It's been brilliant – everyone who engages with us enjoys it.

"We have got lots of volunteers now, and they always look forward to the activities we put on such as boxing, football matches and cricket."

Police and Crime Commissioner for Staffordshire Matthew Ellis said: "Achieving Goalz and Dreams are doing a fantastic job of engaging with young people in Cannock and encouraging them to keep active and take part in group activities."

Theatre group to celebrate 10 years

A MUSICAL theatre and acting academy based in Cannock is celebrating its 10th anniversary.

Tread – Theatre, Representation, Entertainment, Acting Schools and Dramaworks – was set up by Cannock-born West End leading man Graham Tudor and his wife Helen Noble. Based in Littleton Green Community Primary School, it runs workshops and classes, represents young stars and puts on productions.

To mark its milestone, Tread will co-produce The Last 5 Years in Liverpool in June. Anyone interested in joining the group in Cannock on Tuesday can email info@treadproductions.net or call 07739 289995.

New members need to enrol by May 5 to be involved in the Liverpool show.

Motorists warned over A5 closures

OVERNIGHT road closures have been introduced for work to be carried out on the A5 Watling Street.

The road will be closed between Churchbridge and Rising Sun roundabouts from 8pm to 6am until May 27.

Police HQ sold after six years on market

An aerial view of the old police HQ

THE old Staffordshire Police headquarters site has finally been sold and will now make way for dozens of homes – but not a health centre, it has been confirmed.

The site at the junction of Cannock Road and Weeping Cross in Stafford has been a drain on the public purse despite being empty since 2010.

But now Staffordshire's Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis has said the 16-acre site has been sold subject to contract and 'the final bit of legal work'. He said: "It has been really, really difficult. I inherited [in 2013] a site with mobile phone masts and disputes with mobile phone companies. Clearly no-one was going to buy it with a 155ft mast on there.

"Because of the telecommunications laws it was very difficult to fix.

"It was costing the taxpayer up to £750,000 a year in business rates and had done for four years, even though there was nothing on it.

"I got criticism for knocking buildings down but it saved hundreds of thousands of pounds. It was costing millions for absolutely nothing."

Mr Ellis was not able to confirm the identity of the company buying the land or the amount at this stage, although he said the figure exceeded valuations of the site.

He also stated the developer had earmarked it for around 100 homes – a smaller scheme than the 260 properties originally touted – but he confirmed the firm would not be delivering a health centre.

The police force moved to its current £16 million base in Weston Road, Stafford, in February 2010.

Demolition work to flatten the former HQ took place in 2013.

Witnesses plea over spate of fly-tipping

LICHFIELD District Council is urging anyone with information about a series of fly-tipping incidents to come forward to help stamp out the crime.

Over the Easter bank holiday weekend, the council was called out to remove piles of waste from a number of locations across the district.

It has now removed large quantities of rubbish from Cranebrook Lane near Stonnall, Whitacre Lane in Stonnall, Barracks Lane near Burntwood and Pouk Lane in Lichfield.

Waste collected from those sites included fridge-freezers with the metal stripped out, old mattresses, asbestos sheeting, furniture, car parts, and clothes.

Piles of tree cuttings and filled bin bags were also dumped on private land off the A38 between Streethay and Fradley, which the council is investigating.

Richard King, director of place and community at Lichfield District Council, said: "It's likely the rubbish has been left by commercial companies that are paid to dispose of waste as part of a building or landscaping job.

Prosecute

"However, to avoid the commercial waste charges at licensed tips, which they've always had to pay, they dump the waste in our district.

"Please report these commercial operators to us, as we will prosecute them wherever we can.

"We're also taking this opportunity to remind our residents of their duty of care," Mr King added.

"If you employ a gardener, tree surgeon, builder or house clearance company it's important to check they are licensed to legally remove your waste.

"If they cannot tell you their waste carrier number or where they are going to dispose of your waste, don't use them.

"Remember, you are ultimately responsible if your rubbish ends up being fly-tipped, and you could even face a fine."

To help stamp out fly-tipping, report any information by calling Lichfield District Council on 01543 308725 or online at www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/reportit

To find out how to correctly dispose of waste, visit the Right Waste, Right Place website at www.rightwasterightplace.com

A mattress and carpet were among the was that was fly-tipped at Barracks Lane near Burntwood

Questions to ask if using a contractor

1 Ask your contractor for their waste carrier number and find out where they are going to dispose of the waste.

2 Contact the Environment Agency on 0870 8505 506 and ask for a waste carrier validation check. You can also do this online by going to https://environment.data.gov.uk/public-register/view/search-waste-carriers-brokers

3 Remember to get a waste transfer note if your waste is being taken away by a contractor.

4 If the contractor is not registered, you should refuse their services and report them to your local council.

Asbestos sheets in Barracks Lane

NEWS IN BRIEF

Spring concert to revive memories

CHASE Choral Society will be presenting their spring concert 'Thanks for the Memory' at St Mark's Church, Great Wyrley, on Saturday at 7.30pm.

Publicity officer Barry Cooper promises a programme that will be brimming with nostalgia with music from a variety of genres.

Well-loved show-stoppers along with favourites from the Lennon and McCartney and Abba song-books will be presented by this local choir and their friends. Tickets are £5 (refreshments included) available from CCS members and at the door.

Company pledge on armed forces

BRIGGS Equipment has pledged to support current and former members of the Royal Navy, the British Army and the Royal Air Force by signing up to the Armed Forces Covenant.

The Cannock company is now one of 1,500 signatories of the covenant who commit to making a difference by doing everything they can to ensure that service personnel are treated fairly.

Briggs will support the employment of veterans by working with the Career Transition Partnership and REME Association Job Agency.

Car gutted after being set on fire

A CAR was left gutted after it was set on fire in an arson attack.

The white hatchback, believed to be a Vauxhall Corsa, was set alight late on Tuesday night last week in Gains Lane, near Norton Canes.

One crew from Cannock fire station attended the scene and extinguished the fire using a hose reel jet.

Firefighters described the car as 'well alight'. A spokesman for Staffordshire Fire Service added: "It is suspected deliberate ignition."

Pub customers get in spirit of saint's day

STAFF at a Rugeley pub are celebrating after a family fun weekend to mark St George's Day.

The Stags Leap, in Wolseley Road, laid on entertainment and games to appeal to people of all ages.

As part of the celebrations, the pub, which is one of 24 Generous George pubs nationwide, aimed to set a Generous George record for the largest gathering of Georges, Georginas, Georgies, Georgias and Mr, Mrs, Miss and Master Georges on one day.

Musical on at theatre

BROWNHILLS Musical Theatre Company's latest production, the musical 9-to-5, is being staged at Lichfield Garrick Theatre until Saturday. There are performances each day at 7.30pm and a Saturday matinee at 2.30pm. Tickets costing £19.50 and £21 are available on 01543 412121.

IN MY VIEW
with Mark Andrews

Airport car park fees should not be sky high

ALONG with bogus charges for car hire, airport car parking charges are one of the great holiday rip-offs of modern times.

In a sensible world, there is no reason whatsoever why a multi-storey car park at an airport should cost more than in any major town or city. Logically, it ought to be less. After all, airports are large, spacious out-of-town sites, and nobody goes there for any reason other than to get a plane.

Yet, at Birmingham Airport for example, the official NCP car park charges £36 a day. For a two-week holiday, that could be more than the cost of the flight.

Little wonder then that people turn to the cheaper "valet parking" services, where a driver collects your car from the airport, parks it in a supposedly secure place for the duration of the trip, and then delivers it to you on your return.

But it now emerges that some of the operators have a slightly unusual definition of "secure parking". Lichfield couple David and Julia O'Neill returned from a fortnight in Vietnam to be hit with a parking ticket. It emerged that the valet parking operator, which charged them £100 for secure parking at Heathrow, had simply dumped their vehicle in a public car park, and not paid the correct fees. Worse still, an investigation revealed that hundreds of other cars had been left at public car parks, many with Heathrow barrier tickets on display, an open invitation to thieves who knew the owners were on holiday. Unbelievable.

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EDMUND King, the president of the AA, has come up with a novel idea to raise money for investment in Britain's overcrowded roads. Instead of screwing motorists for every last penny in road tax, fuel duty, and speeding fines, he suggests that business or even sports clubs could pay to have roads renamed after them. This has led to speculation that the M6 could be named after Manchester United. Not a bad idea, it is after all how most Manchester United fans get to Old Trafford. I think the M25 would probably be more appropriate, though.

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WHEN Jeremy Corbyn made his pre-election pledge of four extra bank holidays in honour of the UK's four patron saints, he no doubt thought it was a sure-fire winner. After all, who is going to object to some extra time off work, and what is there not to like about celebrating national unity?

Two problems. First of all, chances are that many employers will simply knock the extra four days off their workers' annual leave entitlement. Secondly, St David's Day is March 1, St Patrick's March 17, St George's April 23, and St David's November 30. So instead of being able to take time off at their own choosing, Mr Corbyn is telling people to take time off in winter. Good luck with that one.

Wiki co-founder hopes to ensure truth will out

Hand-clap – Kim Jong-Un, leader of North Korea, with his unique haircut

Hand-some – Thandie Newton as DCI Roz Huntley in In the Line of Duty

Handy – Wikipedia's Jimmy Wales, who is promising to eradicate the scourge of 'fake news'

Jimmy's mission and that's a fact

THE BEST OF PETER RHODES

I SUGGESTED a few days ago that a Manx kipper probably has no tail. A reader says this shortcoming is more than made up for by its third leg.

JIMMY Wales, co-founder of Wikipedia, is planning a news service called Wikitribune to fight fake news. Wales says it will deliver "high-quality, fact-based information." Well, good luck with that. It's just that after nearly 50 years in this game, I have never actually encountered neutral news, nor met a single unbiased journalist. Every reporter, columnist, commentator and pundit believes he or she occupies the exact epicentre of the very centre ground of rational thought. And every reader or viewer is equally convinced that the most accurate, insightful and unbiased reports are the ones that exactly reflect their own views. One man's "high quality, fact-based information" is another man's fascist / commie propaganda. Indeed, the only truly rational, considered and unerringly accurate column is this one.

MIND you, no matter how much one strives for accuracy, there are always heffalump traps. In this election campaign it's the Farron / Fallon thing. Tim Farron is the Lib-Dem leader. Sir Michael Fallon is the defence secretary. Tim is an evangelical Christian who talks to God. Michael is a career Tory who talks to a vicar's daughter. Confusion, confusion.

OUR changing language. A reader tells me his local GP surgery has a sign warning about a hitch with the electronic log-in system: "Please do not use the Jayex machine to arrive your child for Baby Clinic." This reminds me that my annual blood-pressure appointment is approaching. Next month I must arrive myself at the clinic. I must also arrive a urine sample.

AFTER the trauma of her above-the-wrist amputation in Line of Duty (BBC1), didn't DCI Roz Huntley (Thandie Newton) seem remarkably casual about asking her husband for a divorce? Quite off-handed.

IT was Woody Allen who famously observed: "If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." A report from Iraq this week illustrates perfectly the sheer unpredictable, unfair cussedness of life. Three Islamic State fighters had apparently had enough of fighting and decided to surrender. Naturally, they left their weapons behind as they marched toward the enemy lines. On the way, unarmed and unawares, they were attacked and gored to death by wild boars.

YOU know what this general election campaign is missing? A new social group or two. In previous elections, the parties have identified and fought for the support of Worcester Woman and Mondeo Man. This time, who will be banging on doors to secure the votes of Seaside Strugglers, Lesbian Vapers and the Tring Transgenders?

AS attention turns once again to North Korea, the secretive state keeps its ultimate secret very secret indeed. The regime has murdered hundreds of Kim Jong-Un's ministers, officials and even relations. Yet his hairdresser survives. Bizarre.

SCIENTISTS at Cambridge believe a moth larva known as a wax worm may be able to rid the world of unwanted shopping bags thanks to its unique ability to digest plastic. I'm reminded of the 1970s BBC drama Doomwatch which began with an airliner crashing after all the plastic on board suddenly melted. It emerged that a plastic-eating virus had escaped from a rogue laboratory. Younger readers may rejoice at today's promise of plastic-eating moths. Older readers will recall the horror on the pilot's face in Doomwatch as his control stick turned to goo in his hands . . . .

MEANWHILE, ordinary moths are having a wonderful time thanks to the withdrawal, on safety grounds, of old-fashioned mothballs. My pure Merino sweater has emerged from the drawer looking like a string vest. A very expensive string vest.

BEAVERS, lynxes, wolves, elk? As the debate rages over whether to reintroduce big mammals into the British countryside, a friend is in despair. His small but perfectly trimmed lawn is his pride and joy, yet every night it is being ripped up and left horribly pot-holed. He would happily see the reintroduction of any animals – so long as they eat badgers.

THE online version of this column recently showed a car towing a caravan with the headline "What about the other mental conditions?" This was an unfortunate juxtaposition. I was not implying that caravanning is a psychological problem, or that there's anything bizarre about dragging your dirty crockery, unwashed clothes and half-full chemical toilets around the country while creating long traffic jams. Perfectly rational behaviour.

WHILE it may be magnanimous to guarantee EU workers the right to remain in the UK for all time, how does Labour's Brexit policy serve the interests of the Great British Public? 'Labour – Putting Foreigners First' is a bold campaign slogan but who's going to vote for it?

TALKING POINT

Now that's what I call a waste of money

WE'VE all seen the ads for them. Most have probably even got one. You've guessed it . . compilation albums.

No, not a selection of a band's greatest hits, or a film or TV soundtrack.

I can even stomach the latest chart tunes from Now whatever number it is up to these days.

No, I refer to the pointless and completely random ones rolled out at those special times of the year, Mother's Day, Valentine's, Father's Day, for example. You know the sort I mean . . .

I can picture the advert now. "Treat your dad to The Best Stuck in Congestion on the M25 on a Friday Night Rush Hour Album in the World . . . Ever!, featuring the likes of Baby You Can Drive My Car, Slow Down, Stuck in the Middle With You, Roadblock and other such classics."

They are billed as the ideal gift for whatever occasion it is, featuring all your mum's/dad's/girlfriend's/boyfriend's/whoever-it-may be's favourites.

Really? How can whoever came up with the tracklist possibly know that?

Sure, like all such albums there may be one or two good ones on there. But how could anyone compiling the list know what I would want to listen to?

The only people I would assume benefit from this commercial enterprise are the artists, raking in their royalties, and the manufacturers.

Even the 'Now' franchise has surpassed itself with its latest offerings, Now That's What I Call A Song (?) – that's a matter of opinion – and Now That's What I Call Running. I've also seen advertised children's versions of current top tunes, Songs By Kids For Kids, apparently, and Sing Your Heart Out 2017. Exactly the pointless collections I'm talking about.

We all have CDs we like to listen to whenever the mood takes us, and it's nice to look back at ones bought by a loved one as a present. But, no offence, please do not spend your hard-earned on one of those No1 Songs For Hosting a Dinner Party or Barbecue compilations for me. Incidentally, the latter is probably the only album you will find Fire! and Smoke Gets In Your Eyes just thrown together).

However, if you happen to know the favourite song of my top 15 or 20 acts and put that together, you've got yourself a deal – Now That's What I'd Call The Ultimate Bespoke Party Album In My Collection Ever.

I don't need anyone to tell me, or at least try to guess, what I would like to listen while ironing or out jogging.

Christmas, however? That's a different matter. Classic tunes (with the odd exception, of course), and ideal for getting everyone in the festive spirit. And if you don't appreciate a bit of Nat King Cole maybe it's time to roast your old CDs on an open fire instead.

Mind you, October is too early to play festive tunes in the shops though.

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He's a monster says breast doctor's victim

A STAFFORDSHIRE victim of breast cancer doctor Ian Paterson has branded the shamed surgeon a 'monster'.

Leanne Joseph, aged 36, was robbed of the ability to breastfeed her child by the 59-year-old who carried out botched, or unnecessary, operations on hundreds, perhaps thousands, of victims over 15 years.

He was convicted last week, following a Nottingham Crown Court trial, of wounding 10 patients after conning them into allowing him to operate on them. He will be sentenced at a later date. The doctor exaggerated or invented the cancer risk to convince them to have surgery at two private hospitals and make money for him.

His exploits left the NHS to pick up an £18 million costs and compensation bill.

Destroyed

Paterson knew Mrs Joseph was planning to have a family but still persuaded her to have needless surgery to remove her milk ducts to 'save her life'. When this failed and she began producing milk while pregnant, he prescribed drugs to stop her lactating and hide his error.

Eight years later the mother-of-one, who lives in Cheslyn Hay with husband Mark, a 45-year-old IT manager, and their child Ruby, said of the surgeon: "He is a monster who has destroyed my life.

"The mental scars are far worse than the physical. I changed the day I had Ruby.

"I used to be carefree and fun and I feel sad that she will never know what I was like before. Becoming a mother should have been the greatest experience of my life, but because of him, it was the worst.

"'I was on a maternity ward with five other women who were all breastfeeding and I kept on having to explain why I couldn't do it."

Wedding dream for Laura

Laura Perry and childhood sweetheart Ben Morris with her sisters, Louise Perrins, left, and her twin, Katie Perry

A WOMAN with cancer is set to tie the knot with her childhood sweetheart – but they need help to make their dream wedding a reality.

Laura Perry will marry Ben Morris, 23, of Penkridge on May 30 after he popped the question last month.

It comes after the 22-year-old, from Brewood, was diagnosed with bowel cancer last year. After an operation and two lots of chemotherapy, doctors have said they would not carry out more treatment. Now, family and friends are hoping to raise up to £8,000 to make it the day the couple have always dreamed of.

There is less than a month to raise an extra £4,000 after half of the money needed was raised.

Laura, who went to Wolgarston High School in Penkridge, said: "Me and Ben met at a music school when we were 15.

"We spend every day together." To donate, visit www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/louise-perrins-1

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Can we have a real debate?

THE Chronicle's letters page is entertaining in that it includes letters from supporters of both main parties, complaining that the other party does not or will not spend money in the 'correct' priority area.

What would be more interesting is if your contributors asked why our taxes are rising every year, the nation's rising debt will cripple our children's future and yet services and benefits are being cut nationwide.

Just where have both main parties been wasting our money?

Aid to India and China (yes, really) and over-generous pensions for the public sector may have something do with it.

Can we have some real debate instead of this childish name-calling farce?

The Conservative and Labour ostriches keep burying their heads in the sand; we must stop spending more than we earn.

GRAHAME WIGGIN
Cannock Chase UKIP

The intention was to combat nationalism

MR Williams is quite correct when he states that the UK joined the EEC or Common Market, not the EU ("These are the facts about UK joining EU", April 27).

However, he could hardly be more wrong about the original intentions of the fathers of the European project. They made no secret of the fact that their aim was for increasing political integration intended to combat the nationalism that had led to so many European wars.

Certainly this is what I was taught when I trained as an international negotiator at the European Commission in the 1990s and again when I studied for qualifications in EU Law and Public International Law.

MRS CLARE SHOLL
Burntwood

Walking is a free way to stay healthy

WALKING to work reduces the chance of heart disease by 27 per cent, a new study published in the British Medical Journal has found.

The study by the University of Glasgow found that people who cycle to work are 45 per cent less likely to get cancer, and people who walk to work have a 27 per cent lower risk of developing cardiovascular disease and a 36 per cent lower risk of dying from it.

Walking is a free, easy and accessible way to stay healthy and protect ourselves from chronic conditions. New figures from the NHS revealed that one in four adults are inactive, but by choosing to swap short car journeys for a walk instead, we can easily fit more exercise into our day.

The high levels of air pollution in our towns and cities puts some people off travelling actively but the myth that we are protected from air pollution inside the car is simply not true – we are less exposed when on foot.

And when people walk more, they are being part of the solution.

It's Living Streets' National Walking Month in May and we're encouraging people to #Try20 – and fit 20 minutes of walking into their day and see what benefits they feel to their health and happiness.

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Make services a priority

I HAVE to agree with Mr Kyte, when the council starts to complain about its finances when so many of its staff are paid in access of £100k pa ("Second thoughts about local councils' finances", April 20). How can they say that they have to make cuts? Perhaps it would be better if when the Government gave them their budget they cost for services first instead of wages first, services second.

MR T BLUNDELL
Hednesford

We are now faced with a stark choice

THERESA May's ultimate U-turn – the announcement of a General Election. What a pathetic sign of weakness.

The choice is stark – five more years of austerity, privatisation of the NHS, and endless wars, even a war to end all wars – or egalitarianism, nationalisation of vital services and industries, and, hopefully, peace and socialism.

Ultimately, only socialism is the future if we want to avoid sacrificing Earth's finite natural resources at the altar of the free market to line the pockets of the mega-rich and powerful few to impoverish the many

A Corbyn-led Labour Party winning the General Election would be a great step forward to this goal.

To quote Corbyn: "When we win, it's the people, not the powerful who win. The nurse, the teacher, the small trader, the carer, the builder, the office worker win. We all win."

HAYDN GREENWAY
Cannock

No attempt to assess care package quality

STAFFORDSHIRE County Council has recently had an independent review of its adult social care system.

It was not great but the most disturbing and upsetting part of the review was that it showed that Tory Staffordshire has been doing adult social care on the cheap.

Care packages have been based on the cheapest price with no attempt to assess the quality of the care package being given to the most vulnerable people in our society.

These are people who have often worked all of their lives, paid their taxes, and, when they need help, they are given the cheapest option with no real thought given as to the quality of help needed.

It is no wonder that there are so many hospital readmissions, costing the NHS a fortune.

GEORGE ADAMSON
Cannock

National Health Service spiralling out of control

WHEN the NHS came into being, in theory it was a brilliant idea, and over the years it proved its worth.

Now, however, I get the feeling that it is spiralling out of control.

I look at it as a giant hippo with its mouth open swallowing billions of pounds and a lot of waste coming out of the other end.

If it was run as many big industries are in this country, the waste would be cut.

I believe that the NHS needs a massive shake-up but fear that politicians are not the people to do it.

ROGER ALLEN
Great Wyrley

Celebration time at 95th anniversary

Burntwood WI

THE April meeting is the group's birthday and this year members celebrated 95 years. What a wonderful time they had!

After the singing of Jerusalem a presentation was made to president Gwyneth Howells in recognition of being a member for 60 years. She then received on everyone's behalf a lovely certificate for the WI's 95th anniversary.

All members were treated to a free night with celebration cakes, a drink and raffle. Speaker for the night was Alan Tumber who entertained with some lovely singing, poetry, monologues and amusing stories. He certainly helped to make the evening special. As a little extra three members Gwyneth, Ron and Ann performed an amusing little sketch.

For the birthday meeting there is always a draw for a bursary to attend Denman College in Oxford, this is an all expenses paid trip for a two-night stay and Mary Jarvis won. Joan Marson won the competition for the night.

The competition salver was presented to Judy Griffiths, this is for the member who has accumulated the most points over a year from the monthly meetings.

After the raffle, Ron gave the thought for the month. Members were asked to bring a friend along in May.

Meetings are held at Burntwood Institute, Rugeley Road, on the first Thursday in the month from 7 until 9.30pm. Follow the group on Facebook.

Twiddle muffs given out at nursing home

From left, Dawn Hall, Tracey Burke, Alison Goulden and SI president Carole Holdcroft

SI Cannock & District

SI Cannock and friends continue to be kept busy knitting twiddle muffs for local nursing homes. The twiddle muffs provide a source of visual, tactile, and sensory stimulation and can also minimise anxiety, at the same time as keeping cold hands warm.

Members who are unable to knit are helping by providing wool and items to decorate the muffs such as ribbons, different shaped and coloured buttons, beads, lace etc.

On a recent visit to The Heathers Nursing Home at Heath Hayes, SI president Carole Holdcroft and member June Bould received a warm welcome from Dawn Hall, activities co-ordinator, who showed them around the home introducing them to members of staff and residents. Residents are able to take part in craft groups and have enjoyed making Easter bonnets which were on display. Dawn not only organises activities within the nursing home but trips out to garden centres, museums and such like.

Before leaving, Carole, on behalf of SI Cannock presented the matron Tracey Burke, EMI nurse Alison Goulden and Dawn with 12 twiddle muffs which will benefit those residents who suffer with dementia.

Garden couple's labour of love

Cheslyn Hay TG

FLOWERS and plants in all shapes and forms was the subject of the afternoon at Cheslyn Hay Townswomen's Guild on April 20.

Firstly came the presentation of flowers to member Margaret Foulger for a special birthday before the afternoon talk and slide show. Graham and Judy White gave a presentation on how their garden was created over a 25-year period, and is now open to the public through The National Garden Scheme.

The Woodleighton Grove Garden is in Uttoxeter and is open to the public on certain days in June and July.

The couple said they involved their three teenage sons by trying different ways to get them to help and the transformation of the third of an acre plot was amazing.

The couple have raised £59,000 so far for nursing and caring charities and it was a most entertaining and enlightening afternoon.

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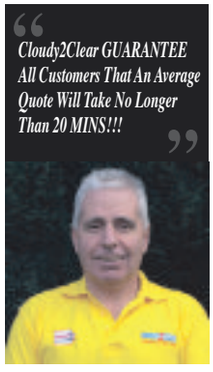

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Open auditions take place on Sunday at the Gatehouse.

Pupils raise funds for regimental charity

PUPILS at a Penkridge school have been raising money for the Support Our Paras.

The fundraising at Wolgarston High School was organised by Year 12 student Sophie Moseley, who staged various events in aid of the charity.

She organised a raffle for which several local businesses including Capelli, Lavenders, Sew Many Things, and B&Q donated prizes.

Sophie and her team of volunteers also ran a bake sale in the school's library during breaks and at lunchtime. "I am so proud of everyone who has helped me from my fellow sixth formers Hannah Walker, Michael Craney, and George Brown to the students in Year 11 Jordan Rollinson, Abi Evans, Kiera Hope, Charlotte Addison and Alex Lavender," Sophie said.

"Without their help and support, we could not have raised the £228.91 that will help so many people who sacrifice themselves to protect our freedom. Thank you also to everyone who was kind enough to donate prizes for the raffle."

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Fundraisers Sophie Moseley, right, and Hannah Walker

Businesses prepare to challenge for awards

ENTRIES are now being invited for the 2017 Staffordshire Chambers of Commerce Business Awards.

With the aim of showcasing the best businesses in Staffordshire, the chambers' awards celebrate the achievements and outstanding performance of businesses throughout the county.

Last year's awards attracted more than 300 entries and over 420 guests in attendance at the presentation ceremony at Staffordshire County Showground.

Chris Plant, director at the chamber, said: "Working at the Chamber, I am privileged to meet inspiring businesses who are finding innovative ways to grow, create jobs, and stimulate the economy.

"I get to hear truly inspirational stories from dynamic companies about how they are making a positive contribution to Staffordshire.

"The annual awards celebrates these success stories, and provides an opportunity for our local businesses to showcase their achievements on a regional platform.

"We have exceptionally strong businesses in Cannock, Rugeley and Hednesford, and we have urged our members to get involved and put themselves forward for consideration." It is free to enter the awards. Application forms can be downloaded from the website at www.staffordshirechambers.co.uk

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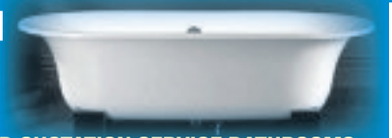

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Scout group's joy at £5,000 prize

Members of the group celebrate their success in the Building Futures competition

THE 7th Lichfield (St Michael's) Scout Group has won a £5,000 prize in a national design competition to support its activities.

The sum was awarded to the group as one of the prizes of the Building Futures competition, a collaboration between the Shanly Foundation – the charitable arm of the South East based developer, the Shanly Group, and the UK Scout Association.

The initiative invited groups across the country to design their dream meeting place with the chance of winning £100,000 to build it.

The competition, which was backed by Chief Scout and TV adventurer Bear Grylls, launched in December. Groups submitted designs which outlined the types of features that would make their meeting place sustainable, accessible and of use to the community. Several runners-up were chosen including the 7th Lichfield (St Michael's) Scout Group who applied for additional funding to support their expanding troop.

After accumulating a waiting list of over 100 children and adding a Beaver Colony, Cub Pack and Scout Troop, the group is in desperate need of some camping equipment for their trips.

Scout leader Adrian Grew said: "We are overjoyed to have been awarded this prize – we are a large group, helping over 240 young people to enjoy new adventures, experience the outdoors, interact with others, gain confidence and help them reach their full potential. It takes a lot of equipment to enable us to all camp together but we believe that when all of our young people come together they become greater than the sum of their parts.

"With our new equipment we will be able to enhance the Scouting experience for everyone in the group."

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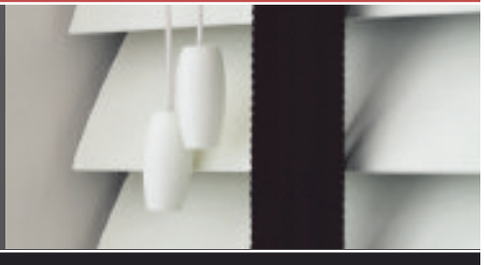

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A night of hilarity, all in the name of charity

COMEDIANS Tim Key, Suzi Ruffell and Matt Forde are heading to Wolverhampton for its Hilarity Charity Gala.

They will join Romesh Ranganathan, Josh Widdicombe and compere Daniel Kitson for the Central Youth Theatre fundraiser.

The acts will take the Grand Theatre stage in Lichfield Street on May 18. Kitson is hosting for the fourth time, while Widdicombe will be making his second appearance at the gala. Previous acts to perform at the annual show include Jon Richardson, Russell Howard, Greg Davies and Rob Beckett.

New names were announced last week. Tim Key has won the Edinburgh Comedy Award and has featured in TV shows including Plebs, Taskmaster and Peep Show as well as starring in the Alan Partridge Film Alpha Papa. He also starred in E4's comedy series Gap Year. In 2007 a short film of his won best UK Short at the Edinburgh Film Festival and was nominated for a BAFTA for Best Short Film.

Romesh Ranganathan is on the bill

Second gala for Josh Widdombe

Circuit

Regarded as one of best up and coming acts on the circuit Suzi Ruffell is in constant demand. Fast establishing herself on the live circuit supporting Alan Carr, Widdicombe and Kevin Bridges, she then went onto have a sell-out double header tour with Ranganathan in the spring of 2015.

Her TV appearances include E4's Virtually Famous and two series of Comedy Central's The Comedy Store.

She has also written additional material for TV shows such as The Last Leg, Mock The Week and 8 Out Of 10 Cats. This year sees Suzi return to the Edinburgh Festival with her new show Common before heading out on tour with it this autumn.

Matt Forde, meanwhile, writes for shows including 8 out of 10 cats and Russell Howard's Good News and hosts his own overnight show on Talk Sport as well as reviewing the papers on Sky News.

He currently hosts the show The Political Party and last year he hosted a weekly topical political show Unspun with Matt Forde on Dave.

Edinburgh award-winning Tim Key

In demand comic Suzi Ruffell

Jane Ward MBE, director of CYT said: "We would not have been able to continue our work without holding the Hilarity Gala every year. It's one not to miss."

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Place of Welcome launches at centre

From left, volunteers Jean Geobey, Phil Davies and Liz Burgess at the St Chad's Places of Welcome in Lichfield

A NEW Place of Welcome has opened at Lichfield's Curborough Community Centre, bringing the total number nationally to more than 150.

Places of Welcome is a network of community organisations, including faith communities, who offer an unconditional welcome to people for at least a few hours a week.

The latest Place of Welcome, run by volunteers from St Chad's Church on Tuesdays from 10.30 to midday at Curborough Community Centre, is the fourth to open in the Lichfield district – the others are in Fradley, Handsacre and at Wade Street Church in Lichfield city centre.

More are coming soon, thanks to funding from Churches Together in Lichfield and support from Transforming Communities Together, a joint venture between the Church Urban Fund and the Diocese of Lichfield.

St Chad's volunteer Jean Geobey said: "From the very beginning when the idea of Places of Welcome was first suggested it seemed to capture the imagination of people in our church, so much so that we had over 16 people volunteer almost immediately. Rick Hill, from Churches Together In Lichfield, said: "This is simply about providing a place where people feel loved, accepted and can get help."

Nurses in talks over dementia support

EIGHTY community-based nurses are meeting in Penkridge today (Thursday) to discuss better ways to diagnose and support people with dementia and their families.

The event is being organised by two of Staffordshire's NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) who together serve over 275,000 patients.

South Staffordshire and Shropshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (SSSFT), the University of Worcester's Association for Dementia Studies, and The Alzheimer's Society have also played a part.

The nurses work in community settings, either within GP practices or as district nurses.

Dr Mo Huda, who is chair of Cannock Chase CCG, is also GP at Aelfgar Surgery in Rugeley. All four surgeries in the Rugeley area joined together last month for a Dementia Friend training session with the Alzheimer's Society.

Dr Huda said: "Around 90 per cent of all direct contact between patients and the NHS happens in primary care outside hospitals, so we are working hard to make sure all clinicians including our nurses have the latest information about spotting

By David Banner

early signs of dementia, diagnosis, treatment and support for patients and their families.

"Our nurses are highly skilled and have more contact with some patients than GPs. They are also able to make referrals and give advice without direct involvement from a doctor.

"This event is a welcome development as we are making dementia one of our priorities."

Among the topics to be discussed at the meeting will be how to make GP practices more dementia friendly.

Nurse Practitioner Linda Jones, who is based at Chase Medical Practice and Heath Hayes Health Centre, said: "We welcome any additional information and training on symptoms of early onset dementia."

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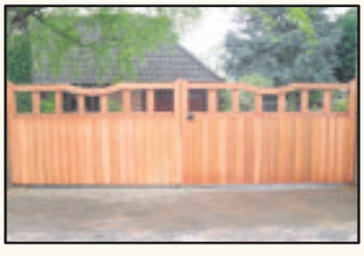

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PLANNING applications received by Lichfield District Council include:

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26 Tean Close, Burntwood – target-prune oak tree in the rear garden by reducing selected branches back to growth point to shape and rebalance the east side of the tree, and reduce the canopy of an oak tree in the front garden on the east side which overhangs the property by up to two metres back to suitable growth point, to address the unbalanced appearance.

52 Kingsdown Road, Burntwood – two-storey side extension to form utility, store room, bathroom and study.

5 Mease Avenue, Burntwood – single-storey side extension to form sitting room and toilet.

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Shoulder Of Mutton Inn, Yoxall Road, Hamstall Ridware – Single and first-floor rear extension to form additional guest bedroom accommodation and installation of external steel fire escape and associated works.

3 Williscroft Place, Bellamour Way, Colton – remove two cypress conifers to ground level as both trees are overhanging the pavement and road and pushing the wall over.

6 The Croft, Kings Bromley – single-storey rear extension to form kitchen and dining room.

Old Hall Farm, Old Hall Lane, Fradley – demolition of existing farm buildings for the erection of five dwellings, parking barn and associated works

Comments about any of the applications must be received by May 15.

Woodlands 'of profound importance'

Michael Fabricant, left, with Jane Ward and Owen Pugh from the Woodland Trust

LICHFIELD MP Michael Fabricant toured a beauty spot with officials from its owners, the Woodland Trust. "I've been a member of the Woodland Trust for a number of years and am deputy chairman of the All Party Parliamentary Group," he said.

"So it was a real pleasure to visit the 150 or so acre woodlands run by the trust at Pipe Hill Farm, just two miles from the centre of Lichfield as the crow flies. The planting of new woodlands and the preservation of our ancient woodlands is of profound importance for future generations.

"Everyone should visit Pipe Hill Farm and perhaps join the Woodland Trust."

Located halfway between Burntwood and Lichfield, in the Forest of Mercia Community Forest, the site was once been part of the Maple Hays Estate.

Group marks 10 years

A MUSICAL theatre and acting academy based in Cannock is celebrating its 10th anniversary.

Tread – Theatre, Representation, Entertainment, Acting Schools and Dramaworks – was set up by Cannock-born West End leading man Graham Tudor and his wife Helen Noble, who played Abby Davies in Hollyoaks in 2007.

Based at Littleton Green Community Primary School, the academy runs a range of workshops and classes as well as representing young stars and putting on productions. To celebrate a decade in the industry, Tread will be co-producing the smash hit Jason Robert Brown musical – The Last 5 Years – at The Epstein Theatre in Liverpool in June.

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Anyone interested in joining the group in Cannock on Tuesday evenings can email info@treadproductions.net or call 07739 289995.

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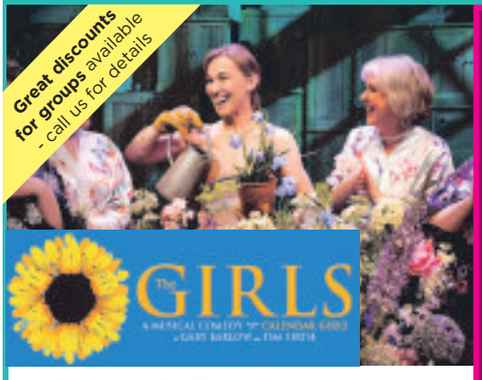

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900 broker jobs at risk as more renew online

JOBS could be at risk at an insurance broker's 10 branches in the West Midlands region.

Swinton has announced plans to review 84 of its 194 high street branches and axe 900 jobs by the end of this year.

It says more people are renewing their policies with the company online.

The firm has outlets in Avon Road, Cannock; Darlington Street, Wolverhampton; Eastgate Street, Stafford; Bridge Street, Walsall; Walsall Road, Great Barr; High Street, Dudley; High Street, Cradley Heath; High Street, Halesowen; Foster Street East, Stourbridge and Lower Mill Street, Kidderminster.

The cuts follow a previous decision by Swinton to close 130 branches across the UK by the middle of this year.

Swinton chief executive Gilles Normand said: "We are re-shaping our distribution model to ensure that we continue to meet the changing needs of our customers in an effective and efficient way. This change is difficult for all colleagues, especially those who are directly impacted by the proposals, but is vital if we are to remain competitive in a challenging insurance market.

"While branches continue to be an important part of our multi-channel business model, we need to ensure that we can interact with customers whenever, and however, they choose."

The firm will now begin a formal consultation with all affected employees.

Campaigners unveil masterplan in battle to protect green belt

CAMPAIGNERS have launched a masterplan for their town in a bid to stop hundreds of homes being built on green belt land.

Burntwood Action Group (BAG) presented their proposals in front of more than 150 residents who had packed into St Matthews Sports and Social Club last Wednesday.

Some of the dozens of people who attended the meeting

Insisted

The group fear that up to 330 homes could be built on green belt land by 2029 after Lichfield District Council published a list of sites which could take housing.

A plot at Highfields Road has been earmarked for around 250 properties while a site at Coulter Lane has been touted for another 80.

But BAG members have insisted that the homes can instead be built on former industrial 'brownfield' plots.

Group chairman Vic Chamberlain said: "We know brownfield sites are not the most popular with developers but I am sure you will agree we must resist further urban sprawl. Burntwood has suffered over the years from not having any long-term planning.

"We intend to demonstrate what can be achieved with a long-term plan in place."

He added: "We are also preparing another document that will show we also need infrastructure.

"The infrastructure in Burntwood is totally inadequate and has been for some considerable time."

Fellow group member Peter Button said: "We have a wonderful green girdle around Burntwood; our green belt.

"If we develop on the green belt it will add to our problems, not solve them. It will add to the traffic and the rat runs.

"If one piece of green belt does get planning permission, it will be the domino in a series."

The dozens of people at the meeting applauded as the group put forward an alternative vision for Burntwood.

It proposes a redevelopment of the town centre involving the former Olaf Johnson site where a retail development has already been passed, Sankey's Corner, Salters Meadow Centre and the 'blue hoarding site' south west of Morrisons on the A5190.

The two leaders of Lichfield District Council were also present to answer questions and field criticism of the authority from the public.

Deputy leader of Lichfield District Council Ian Pritchard said: "To have a vision for an area like Burntwood I think is superb.

"It isn't going to be easy to do but we are very excited about this," he added.

"We'll do everything we can to try and make it happen."

Pals give up their locks for charity

BEFORE: Laicee, left, and Leah

AFTER: Leah, left, and Laicee

TWO young friends had their long locks chopped off – and raised £500 for charity.

Seven-year-old Leah Walker and her friend Laicee Foreman, six, both had a haircut at Luxe Hairdressing in Great Wyrley in aid of the Little Princess Trust. It provides wigs and hairpieces for children who suffer hair loss due to cancer treatment.

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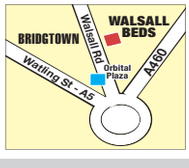

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Historic Wolves cup winner's medal to go under hammer

The 1908 Wolves squad that won the FA cup, Billy Wooldridge is second row, fourth from left

The rear of Billy's 1908 FA Cup final medal

A postcard of the victorious 1908 Wolves team featuring captain Billy Wooldridge

A RARE piece of Wolves' history from the club's 1908 FA Cup final win is being sold at auction.

MEMORY LANE

By Robert Cox

The 15 carat gold winner's medal was presented to Billy Wooldridge, the then Wolves' captain, following the 3-1 victory over Newcastle United.

More than a century later it is expected to fetch between £6,000 and £8,000 when it goes under the hammer next month.

The victory was the club's second in the FA Cup and came 46 years before Wolves were first crowned First Division champions. The medal is in a good condition and an engraving on the back features the skipper's name. It currently belongs to Shirley Burn, from Lichfield, who said she bought it from Wooldridge's grandson in 1979.

"My late husband and I had a shop in Birmingham and one day Billy Wooldridge's grandson came and said 'do you want it, I have decided to sell it,'" she explained.

"It was quite sad really. My late husband was a lifelong fan and he tried to talk the guy out of it. He told him it was such an important piece of history. But the man would not be convinced and we bought it off him." After Mrs Burn's late husband died in 1994 she loaned it to Wolves and for 21 years it held pride of place in the club's museum. But now the 57-year-old has decided to sell the medal, which comes complete with its original box.

Billy Wooldridge was born in Netherton in 1878 and went on to make 356 appearances for Wolves, scoring 90 goals in 12 years at Molineux.

An entry in 'The Wolves' encyclopaedia published in 1989, reads: "Billy was a wonderful servant to Wolves – a player who was never flurried, never overawed, and one who never gave less than 100 per cent effort out on the park, whether performing in defence or attack. He played centre-half between Hunt and Bishop in the 1908 FA Cup Final, skippering Wolves to a memorable victory. With his thick black moustache, 'Wooly' was a commanding figure in the team."

When Wolves won the FA Cup in 1908 there were only two divisions in English football, each with 20 teams. Cup favourites Newcastle finished fourth in the first division and Wolves finished ninth in division two.

The club had first lifted the trophy in 1893 and have won the competition on a total of four occasions with further success in 1949 and 1960.

Billy Wooldridge's winner's medal will go under the hammer through Graham Budd Auctions at Sotheby's in London on May 16. Mr Budd, said: "It is a very rare medal and hopefully it will make a good price."

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VE event to bring songs and fashion to museum

The museum's visitors service officer Rachel Gentle gets set to mark the anniversary

THE Museum of Cannock Chase is holding its annual VE Day celebrations on Saturday.

The museum, off Valley Road in Hednesford, is putting on a variety of events to celebrate the anniversary of Victory in Europe day.

Officially, Monday, May 8 will be the anniversary of VE Day, marking the day after Germany surrendered in the Second World War, but the museum will be holding its celebrations on Saturday.

The day at the museum will include craft activities for children, a 1940s singer, staff in costume and a wartime radio show.

The museum's visitors service officer Rachel Gentle said: "Everybody is encouraged and welcome to come in costume, all of the staff will be in costume."

The event will run from 11am until 4pm.

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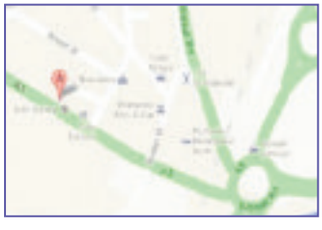

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Walsall's Manager Jon Whitney tees off during the contest

Stan Petrov and John Hartson joke around

First team players get set for the day to raise money for charity

Chris Nicholl and Martin O'Connor at Walsall Golf Club

Former Walsall winger John Hodge

Current Saddlers midfielder, Kieron Morris, tries his luck on the putting green

Saddlers chip in for charity

WALSALL stars past and present took to the fairways to raise funds for leading cancer charity, The John Hartson Foundation.

Former Baggies striker Hartson was diagnosed with testicular cancer back in 2009 with the disease going on to spread to his lungs and brain.

But the Welshman defied the odds to beat the condition and has since raised more than £700,000 to help men who find themselves in a similar position.

Last Wednesday he was joined by a host of Saddlers stars including boss Jon Whitney and players Jason McCarthy, Scott Laird, George Dobson, Liam Kinsella and Eoghan O'Connell at a fundraiser at Walsall Golf Club. Former players Michael Ricketts and Martin O'Connor also attended as well as ex-managers Kenny Hibbitt and Kenny Mower.

"It's great to be able to raise awareness of John's charity," Whitney said.

"There has been a really good turnout. We've got players from the first-team squad. Ian Sharps (coach) is playing but Neil Cutler bottled it.

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"It's a great cause and something we really need to highlight and it's fantastic to see John and Stan Petrov because they have both done so much for charity."

Former Walsall midfielder Wayne Thomas – who is now commercial manager at the Banks's Stadium – said he hopes the golf day will become an annual event.

"It was our inaugural golf day and hopefully it was the first of many," he said.

"When I was a player we had a great golf day and it was something that when I came back I wanted to get going again.

"Teams play with a current player or manager. We had 18 ex or current players plus John Hartson and Stan Petrov.

"The players have been been fully supportive of it.

"And you can't underestimate how much the commercial partners and fans are looking forward to having three or four hours with a player.

"Walsall Football Club has a great relationship with Walsall Golf Club because we sponsor the disabled golf events they run – so it was great to hold this there as well."

Vehicle crimes fall 'thanks to crucial arrests'

CANNOCK Chase's police chief says vehicle crime has fallen 'dramatically' in the district following two significant arrests.

Thefts from motor vehicles jumped from 12 reports in February to 42 the following month.

Cannock Chase Commander Chief Inspector Geoff Knight said there had been a notable decrease since a pair of suspects were detained.

He said: "We saw an increase in vehicle crime in March, in particular theft from vehicles.

"This increase took place over a matter of days, and some positive policing saw two main offenders arrested for a significant number of offences.

"Since this intervention, the offences have dramatically reduced."

Elsewhere, a red convertible Audi A4 was driven off from Hill Street, Burntwood, some time between 8pm on Thursday and 6.45am on Friday.

It came after an incident in Darnford Moors, Lichfield, when two luxury cars were stolen along with their keys last Wednesday. The vehicles were a BMW and a white VW Golf.

Anyone with any information which can assist police with their inquiries is asked to call the force on 101 quoting incident number 67 of April 26.

Residents are being urged to be extra vigilant and review their home security.

Group to be haunted by historian's tales

POPULAR historian and author Ian Bott will be the speaker at the next meeting of the Norton Canes Local History Group.

He will address the meeting at the local library, in Burntwood Road, on Tuesday, May 9, when his subject will be The Haunted Black Country.

The doors open at 7pm, admission is free for non-members as well as members, and light refreshments will be served.

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‘Get involved’ call on freight interchange

SOUTH Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson has called on people opposing a major rail freight interchange to ‘get actively involved’.

Last month, Mr Williamson hosted a meeting in Coven attended by more than 200 people as part of a campaign to stop the rail terminal being built between junction 12 of the M6 and the A449 Stafford Road at Gailey.

Four Ashes Ltd is behind the plans for the hub which would include a rail terminal with 17 warehouses and service buildings of around 800,000 square metres.

Mr Williamson said: “We can only make a difference if we get actively involved and ensure those who want to destroy 618 acres of our land hear our voices loud and clear.

“I would like to say a huge thank you to all those who took the time to come to the campaign evening to help organise the survey and referendum forms and campaign material that will be sent out across areas that will be affected by the building of the West Midlands Interchange.

“These proposals could cause irrevocable damage to our villages, and I am determined to fight these proposals.

“It was fantastic to see so many volunteers come out to help, which just shows the determination of residents.”

It’s not a game! Warning as rail trespass number on rise

MORE people than ever are endangering their lives by trespassing on rail tracks, new figures show.

There were 588 trespass incidents in the West Midlands region last year – a rise of two per cent compared with 2015 – according to data from Network Rail and British Transport Police (BTP).

There were also 58 children caught by police, with boys aged 14 to 16 being the main offenders, and peaks coinciding with the spring and summer school holidays.

Inspector Dave Rams, from BTP in the West Midlands, said: “We believe the number of children we encounter trespassing every year is just the tip of the iceberg.

“Every single day, we are called to the tracks because a train driver has had to sound their horn or apply their emergency brake in a desperate bid to avoid youths on the line, who then run off, seemingly unaware of the danger they have put themselves in.

“We continue to do all we can to keep youngsters safe by patrolling areas where we know they’re likely to trespass and prevent them from doing so.”

Dave Rams of British Transport Police – ‘real-life consequences’

In response to the surge, Network Rail and BTP have launched a nationwide schools programme, aiming to teach pupils in trespass hotspots about railway safety. The Tackling Track Safety initiative is also being rolled out in schools across the country. Insp Rams said: “We cover thousands of miles of track, and we cannot tackle this issue alone.

“That is why we are urging parents and young people to heed this warning and take a reality check when it comes to trespass. It’s not a game – they are real tracks, with real trains and real-life consequences.”

Nick Jordan, community safety manager from Network Rail, said: “Every April we see a huge rise in the number of people taking a risk on the rail network, and it’s worrying that these numbers seem to be going up.

“Britain has the safest railway in Europe but still too many people lose their lives on the tracks.

Safety

“As the railway gets busier, and we electrify more lines to improve services, we must work harder to keep young people safe by making them aware of the dangers.”

Network Rail has also joined with children’s charity Barnardo’s to deliver safety education in specific areas of need and where trespass rates are high.

The organisation will be raising money for the charity and encouraging their staff to volunteer and help deliver these safety events. Visit www.networkrail.co.uk/trespass or www.btp.police.uk/reality check

Deadline alert on trade spots at RAF air show

SPACES are running out for businesses looking to sell or promote their goods at the RAF Cosford air show.

Sarah Lewis, organiser of the Vintage Village at the show, says bookings have reached record heights and anyone wishing to join in needs to make immediate contact.

She said: “Interest is incredibly high, but it is a large site, and we have some limited space remaining.

“The event is bigger than ever this year, and we can still accommodate trade stands selling vintage clothing, craft and handmade goods and vintage hair and make-up.”

Sarah also won a contract to run the Cosford Club, providing corporate catering at the air show on June 11.

The businesswoman and chef built a reputation at Lily’s Secret Vintage Tea room in Gnosall.

“In previous years, the Cosford Club has been provided by a national corporate caterer but we have worked with the air show to provide a pop-up summer picnic food outlet and bar, and they have recognised our abilities as professional caterers,” she said.

“We will have further work opportunities at our other outside catering events throughout the summer including the RIDE Staffordshire cycle festival in July.”

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Union in warning as jail violence at record levels

PRISONS are seeing record levels of violence, with some seeing attacks on staff double in the space of just one year.

The new figures show how the prison crisis has gripped the region, with HMP Oakwood and HMP Featherstone, both in South Staffordshire, and HMP Swinfen Hall, near Lichfield, recording more assaults last year than since records began.

A union boss has said prison officers are working 'in the mouth of a volcano' that is 'about to erupt'. There were 445 assaults at Oakwood last year, including 152 assaults on staff. In 2015 there were 263 assaults, including 65 against staff. The previous highest number of assaults was 297 in 2013. The category C prison also recorded a record 79 serious assaults last year.

Featherstone recorded 192 assaults in 2016, with 50 against staff.

Problem

The previous year there were 146 assaults, the highest figure in the prison's history, with 23 against staff. Swinfen Hall recorded 313 assaults last year, a record 42 assaults on staff and a record 274 on prisoners. HMP Brinsford, the young offenders institution based on the same site as HMP Featherstone, had 366 assaults in 2016 compared to 276 in 2015.

HMP Stafford also saw an increase from 29 assaults in 2015 to 36 in 2016.

Both prisons also recorded worrying increases in staff assaults, with 69 at Brinsford in 2015 jumping to a record 108 in 2016. Three staff assaults at HMP Stafford in 2015 leapt to seven last year. The Prison Officers Association (POA) has blamed the Government for not tackling the mounting problem of violence in prisons.

POA chair Mike Rolfe said: "Our members have been abandoned by this government in the mouth of a volcano that's about to erupt and there is no rescue in sight." The Ministry of Justice, responsible for the jails other than Oakwood, say despite the year-on-year increase the figures had decreased from the previous quarter in 2016.

Helpers vet roads for litter

From left, clinical director Hamish Duncan with his daughters Florence and Isobel, head nurse Nicky Smith, receptionist Jo Civil and vet Emma Goncalves with her husband Carlos

STAFF at 387 Veterinary Centre in Great Wyrley were in surgical gloves on Saturday afternoon – but not for veterinary purposes.

Members of the vet team and their families were litter picking to help keep pets' paws safe as part of their National Pet Month initiative.

The nine volunteers collected more than 26kg (57lb) of rubbish in half an hour. The litter pick followed on from a gardening session to plant more than 100 lavender plugs in the car park to help boost the bee population.

"We didn't cover as much ground as we thought we would litter-picking," said clinical director Hamish Duncan. "We targeted part of Jones Lane, the Walsall Road either side of the vets, Shaws Lane and Bentons Lane. The team covering that area didn't get much further than 100 yards from the practice, as they'd run out of bin bags and couldn't carry anymore weight."

Oddities found during the litter pick included a jumper, shirt, trousers, a pair of glasses, shoes and even a pair of underwear – enough to clothe a person.

The volunteers have recycled much of the waste they collected, which included drink cans, glass and plastic bottles, with all general waste being taken to the local tip.

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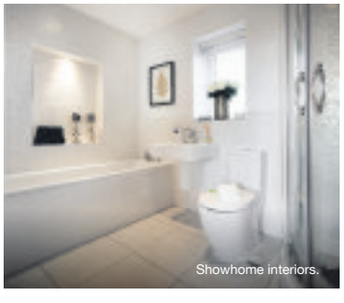

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Another suitcase, another hall – Evita hits the Grand stage

Leading lights – Emma Hatton and Gian Marco Schiaretti

Don't cry for me, Wolverhampton

It took Emma Hatton approximately 0.1 seconds to make a decision when she was asked to play the lead role in Evita. The actress and singer, best known for playing Elphaba in the West End production of Wicked, jumped at the chance to lead the line.

Having starred in major musicals, playing Donna in Dreamboats and Petticoats, she was thrilled to playing the lead in one of the greatest musicals of all.

Bill Kenwright's production of Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd-Webber's Evita is on the road following its smash hit run at London's Dominion Theatre. It will reach Wolverhampton's Grand Theatre on Tuesday and play until May 13.

Telling the story of Eva Perón, wife of former Argentine dictator Juan Perón, Evita follows Eva's journey from humble beginnings through to extraordinary wealth, power and iconic status. She is ultimately heralded as the 'spiritual leader of the nation' by the Argentine people.

Starring two of musical theatre's most outstanding leading performers; Emma and Gian Marco Schiaretti, who is embarking on his first UK tour having played the title role in Disney's production of Tarzan, audiences can anticipate a five-star performance.

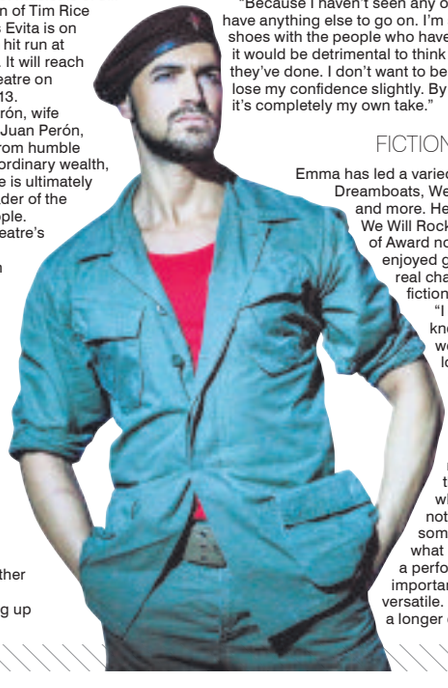
Evita has more than 20 major awards to its credit and the Oscar-winning film version starred Madonna and Antonio Banderas. It features some of the most iconic songs in musical theatre, including Don't Cry For Me Argentina, On This Night of a Thousand Stars, You Must Love Me, and Another Suitcase in Another Hall.

Emma has enjoyed picking up the baton and enjoys every performance. It's one of the most iconic roles in musical theatre. It didn't take me very long to say yes to that. I've never done anything like this before.

"I'd never seen a production of it but had watched the film many years ago. It was nice to come into the project. I knew the bare bones of it and had a grasp of what it was about. I've had the opportunity to learn so much about her story and the Argentinian history but I wasn't familiar with a lot of it before."

That knowledge gap proved advantageous to Emma , who was able to originate her character from scratch – rather than trying to imitate another actress's performance.

"Because I haven't seen any of the productions, I don't have anything else to go on. I'm stepping into quite big shoes with the people who have played it before. But it would be detrimental to think too much about what they've done. I don't want to be caught up on others, I'd lose my confidence slightly. By approaching it myself, it's completely my own take."



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Emma has led a varied career, playing in Dreamboats, We Will Rock You, Wicked and more. Her roles in Wicked and We Will Rock You won her a slew of Award nominations. But she's enjoyed getting her teeth into a real character, rather than a fictional one.

"I think it's a very well known show that was very well written and is well loved. To portray a real life character is a privilege and something to be respected. And both vocally and in terms of acting, it's been a massive challenge. I took the role as much to see whether I could do it or not. I like a challenge. It's something very different to what I've done before. From a performing perspective, it's important for people to see I'm versatile. Hopefully that will lead to a longer career."

I took the role to see whether I could do it or not . . . I like a challenge

The responses from theatre audiences up and down the country has been ecstatic. Emma's been revelling in the joy that her characterisation has bought. "I didn't realise how loved this show was.

"The audiences have been very full houses and seem to really love the show. You feel that warmth from the show. Long may that last."

And yet Emma will be keen to do something different at the end of Evita's present run. While she lives and breathes every moment, she's tied to the diversity that's present in her career and relishes taking on different roles.

"I was the original cast for Dreamboats. I got to work with the writers and worked closely with them on the characterisation and the script. The music of that era was so gorgeous and then moving on to do We Will Rock You, then Wicked, gave me the opportunity to do something different. I enjoy that.

"I think there's a difference between being in the West End and being on the road. The routine is very different and the discipline has to be a lot stronger on tour because of the travelling and what it takes out of your body. To be on the road, you're living out of a suitcase and are away from your family. You need more strength of character. You're away from loved ones and your own bed. But you get to go to your beautiful cities and see beautiful theatres. And every part of the UK and Europe has a very different vibe.

"I hadn't toured for a while so I was ready to get on the road and show the UK what we're about."

Another suitcase another hall. Emma's role in Evita is the classic case of life imitating art.

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The all-inclusive Tommy cast

Rock on, Tommy as musical makes return

The Who's epic, award-winning musical, Tommy rocks into Birmingham Repertory Theatre later this month.

Directed by Kerry Michael, it features two new songs written exclusively for the new tour by The Who's guitarist and lyricist Pete Townshend.

Based on the iconic 1969 rock concept album, Tommy is the tale of the pinball-playing boy, an exhilarating story of hope, healing, and the human spirit which has entertained for more than 40 years.

The cast of 22 includes Peter Straker as the Acid Queen, alongside an inclusive cast of deaf and disabled and non-disabled actors.

The production will feature a new version of Amazing Journey to open the show and a brand new song, Acid Queen 2 for Act Two alongside classics Tommy Can You Hear Me, I'm Free, See Me Feel Me and Pinball Wizard. The production follows young Tommy after he witnesses the murder of his father by his mother's lover. Traumatised, he chooses to stop communicating with the outside world as he grows up in post-Second World War England, where he suffers abuse from relatives and others in the wider community. But as an adolescent, Tommy's life begins to change when he finds salvation in playing pinball.

In this new staging every performance features a creative use of audio description, captioning and British Sign Language interpretation.

Tommy plays at Birmingham Repertory Theatre from May 17 to 27 with show times at 7.30pm Monday to Saturday and matinees at 2pm on Thursday and and Saturday. Tickets start from £15. Book online at birmingham-rep.co.uk or via the box office on 0121 236 4455.

Richardson the daddy of comics

With a two-month old daughter, stand-up comic Jon Richardson admits that life at home is very chaotic at the minute.

So the proud new father believes this is the perfect time to be going on tour. "Gigs have become very cathartic for me, as things are so hectic at home," he said.

For him, being on stage is now the equivalent of going to the pub or the cinema.

"Our baby is only two months old, so it's obviously the perfect time for me to be leaving home for several weeks," said the funnyman.

"It has to be said, I'm not terribly popular at home. But I'm assuming that by the time I get back home, my daughter will be toilet-trained, capable of dressing herself and able to drive." Richardson's new show, Old Man – a follow up to Funny Magnet and Nidiot – is packed with reflections on the trials and tribulations of new fatherhood.

He even discloses some of the more bizarre incidents that have occurred since the new arrival.

One of Jon's main worries is that his daughter will grow up resembling him. "What I'm dreading is raising her to be like me," he says. "If I hear her saying, 'I can't eat that chip because it's touched those baked beans', I'll know she got too much of me in her!"

He adds: "I'm determined not to talk about my baby in a way that's alienating.

But it's been such a big change in my life that I can't not talk about it. It's also nice to have something new to stress about."

The comedian, who has starred on such TV shows as 8 out of 10 Cats Does Countdown, Have I Got News For You, Live At The Apollo, Channel 4's Comedy Gala Live At The 02 and more recently Taskmaster on Dave has been attracting a host of critical plaudits and performs at Birmingham's Hippodrome tonight (Thursday).

But, much as he loves touring, Richardson reveals: "I'll have a break over the summer. People would rather be out in the sun than inside listening to a whingeing moron!"

For tickets, call 0844 338 5000 or visit www.birminghamhippodrome.com

Adam ready to Stand And Deliver

New Romantic 1980s heartthrob is back in the leather jacket and ready to Stand And Deliver at the Symphony Hall, Birmingham, with back-to-back gigs on May 12 and 13.

The King of the Wild Frontier will be performing the hits, such as Ant Music and Prince Charming on his Anthems: The Singles Tour, and also promises a few lesser known tracks for the hardcore fans and some of his personal favourites.

Give your Verdict on courtroom drama

Former Casualty star Clive Mantle and Jack Shepherd of Wycliffe fame star in courtroom thriller The Verdict at Wolverhampton's Grand Theatre this week.

Made famous by the Oscar-nominated Sidney Lumet film starring Paul Newman, Charlotte Rampling and James Mason, it opened on Tuesday and runs until Saturday. Book on 01902 429212 or at www.grandtheatre.co.uk

Elsewhere, comedians Omid Djalili and Micky Flanagan perform in Birmingham. Djalili is at the Symphony Hall tomorrow night (Friday), with Flanagan at the Barclaycard Arena from May 18 to 20. Also in the Second City, the Robert Cray Band performs on Sunday night, Procul Harum are at the Town Hall on May 11 and Adam Ant at the Symphony Hall on May 12 and 13.

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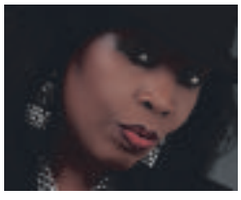

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Peter Capaldi

Doctor Who (BBC1, 7.20pm)

Bill and some of her friends decide to move in together, and find what seems to be the perfect house. However, the absurdly cheap rent, and a decidedly creepy landlord (played by guest star David Suchet) suggest that domestic bliss might not yet be on the cards. The Doctor believes something is seriously wrong with his assistant's new home, plagued as it is with strange drafts and oddly creaky floorboards, and that's without considering the ominous tower found at the very heart of the building – one that doesn't seem to have an entrance. Peter Capaldi and Pearl Mackie star, with Matt Lucas.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Mary Berry's Absolute Favourites. (R) **12.00** Football Focus. **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.15** Usain Bolt: The Final Chapter. **1.45** Athletics: Diamond League Qatar Highlights. **2.45** Bargain Hunt. (R) **3.45** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.30** Final Score. **5.30** Who Dares Wins.

6.10 BBC News.

6.20 Regional Programme.

6.30 Pointless Celebrities. Richard Park, David Grant, Ben Forster, Danielle Hope, Patti Boulaye, Nina Myskow, Jamie Raven, and Ashleigh and Pudsey take part in a talent-show themed edition of the quiz.

7.20 Doctor Who. Bill moves into a new house with her friends, complete with creaking floorboards, a creepy landlord, and a strangely inaccessible tower at its heart. Guest starring David Suchet.

8.05 Casualty. Louise confronts Jez about his infidelity, but when he comes clean and reveals his secret squeeze is Mickey, she is left stunned. A revelation about the events of the previous week leaves Ethan reeling, and Charlie makes it is personal mission to restore the spirits of everyone in the ED.

9.00 Michael McIntyre: Happy & Glorious. A chance to see a show from the popular stand-up star's 2015 tour of the UK and Ireland, recorded as-live at the O2 in London. Returning to a venue he has visited 27 times in the past, more than any other artist in the world, Michael showcases his particular brand of wit, taking aim once again at some of the absurdities of everyday life.

10.00 BBC News; Weather.; National Lottery Update.

10.20 Match of the Day. Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Swansea City v Everton at the Liberty Stadium and Hull City v Sunderland at the KCOM Stadium.

11.40 Murder in Successville. A radioactive monster seems to be on the loose in Successville, and DI Sleet enlists the aid of new assistant Lorraine Kelly to get to the bottom of the mystery.

12.10 Film: Flatliners. (1990) **2.00** Weather for the Week Ahead. **2.05** BBC News.

BBC2

6.25 Film: That's Entertainment! III. (1994) **8.20** Talking Pictures: Musicals. (R) **9.05 Film:** Silk Stockings. (1957) **11.00** Monty Halls' Great Hebridean Escape. (R) **12.00** Great British Menu. (R) **12.30** Great British Menu. (R) **1.00** Great British Menu. (R) **1.30 Film:** 4 for Texas. (1963) Comedy Western, starring Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra. **3.20** Trust Me, I'm A Vet. (R) **4.20** Flog It! (R) **4.55** Gardeners' World. (R) **5.25** Springwatch in Japan: Cherry Blossom Time. (R)

6.25 Japan's Northern Wilderness. Part one of two. Naturalist Steve Backshall and two-time Olympic gold medal-winning rower Helen Glover explore the landscapes and culture of northern Japan.

7.20 Trump on Culture: Brave New World? Alastair Sooke visits the US to investigate what impact President Donald Trump's plans to scrap federal funding for the arts might have on the nation's cultural landscape.

8.00 Grand Tours of Scotland. Paul Murton explores the rise of the seaside as a popular tourist destination, travelling from St Andrews via the Firth of Forth to North Berwick and Edinburgh. Last in the series.

8.30 Dad's Army. The men of the Walmington-on-Sea Home Guard platoon take charge when a large naval gun is delivered to the church hall. Classic comedy, starring Arthur Lowe and John Le Mesurier. (R)

9.00 Film: Nightcrawler. (2014) Premiere. A cynical petty crook is inspired when he sees a freelance camera crew, and decides to go into business filming crime scenes and accidents, then selling the footage to news broadcasters. His determination to stay ahead of the competition leads him down a dark path as his methods become increasingly ruthless. Crime drama, starring Jake Gyllenhaal, Rene Russo and Bill Paxton.

10.50 QI XL. Jimmy Carr, Aisling Bea and Danny Bhoy compete alongside resident panellist Alan Davies, as question master Stephen Fry muddles through the middle show of the middle series.

11.35 Versailles; (R) Inside Versailles.

12.35 Film: The Big Kahuna. (1999) **2.00** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Bottom Knocker Street. **6.10** Bottom Knocker Street. (R) **6.25** Scooby. (R) **6.35** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **6.40** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **6.50** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **7.00** Oddbods. (R) **7.05** Marvel Avengers Assemble. (R) **7.30** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **7.55** NinjaGo: Masters of Spinjitzu. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** ITV Racing: The Opening Show. **10.20** Judge Rinder. (R) **11.20** Tipping Point. (R) **12.20** ITV News; Weather. **12.25** Bigheads. (R) **1.30** ITV Racing: Live from Newmarket. Coverage of today's race meetings at Newmarket and Goodwood. **4.00** Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs. (R) **4.30** Catchphrase. (R) **5.15** Britain's Got More Talent.

6.15 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.25 ITV News; Weather.

6.45 Take Me Out. A firefighter, a barber, a test driver and a gym instructor enter the "love lift" in the hope of impressing 30 single women and winning a date – but they must first get the female participants to keep their lights on as a sign of approval.

8.00 Britain's Got Talent. Another selection of would-be stars are given a chance to demonstrate their unique talents, as the fourth round of auditions gets under way. As always, Simon Cowell, Amanda Holden, David Walliams and Alesha Dixon will beckon each act into the spotlight, where they must show off their skills to the best of their ability if they are to secure the panel's attention and win a place in the next round of the contest. However, for those performers whose skits capture the hearts of either the judges, or Ant and Dec, a simple tap of the golden buzzer could see them progress straight through to the live shows.

9.15 The Keith and Paddy Picture Show. New series. Keith Lemon and Paddy McGuinness remake Hollywood movies, and begin by casting Jessica Hynes, Larry Lamb, John Barrowman and Kimberly Wyatt in Dirty Dancing.

9.45 Film: The 40 Year-Old Virgin. (2005) Comedy, starring Steve Carell and Catherine Keener.

10.45 ITV News; Weather.

11.05 Film: The 40 Year-Old Virgin. (2005) Continued.

12.15 Jackpot247. **3.00** Who's Doing the Dishes? (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.15 Mobil 1 The Grid. **6.40** Motor Sport: British GT. **7.10** The King of Queens. (R) **7.35** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.25** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **9.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **10.25** The Simpsons. (R) **10.55** The Simpsons. (R) **11.30** The Simpsons. (R) **12.00** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA. (R) **12.55** Come Dine with Me. (R) **1.25** Come Dine with Me. (R) **1.55** Come Dine with Me. (R) **2.30** Come Dine with Me. (R) **3.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **3.35** A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun. (R) **4.35** Big House, Little House. **5.35** Location, Location, Location. (R)

6.30 Channel 4 News.

7.00 The Restoration Man. George Clarke revisits Dave and Margaret Hedley for a second time, hoping to see what progress has been made on their ambitious plan to restore a derelict 17th-century water mill in Northumberland. After eight years toiling away at the project, Dave and Margaret have seen off historic levels of flooding and a devastating illness, and have hand-built a working replica of the mill's old water wheel. In the threshing barn, the pair's impeccable restoration work is on full display, and George discovers how the water wheel is about to take on a new purpose for the 21st century.

8.00 Walking Through Time. Palaeobiologist Dr Tori Herridge and Professor Adrian Lister visit Shropshire to discuss analysis into the remains of five mammoths found in a quarry in 1986. (R)

9.00 Film: The Fault in Our Stars. (2014) Premiere. Indianapolis teenager Hazel has terminal thyroid cancer and attends a patients' support group, where she meets fellow teen Gus, who lost a leg to the disease. The two fall in love and a shared passion for books leads them on a literary pilgrimage to Amsterdam in search of reclusive author Peter van Houten. Romantic drama based on the bestselling novel by John Green, starring Shailene Woodley, Ansel Elgort, Laura Dern and Willem Dafoe.

11.35 Film: Ghost. (1990) Romantic fantasy, starring Demi Moore.

1.45 The 80s: Ten Years That Changed Britain. (R) **3.05** Hollyoaks. (R) **5.05** Jamie's Comfort Food. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. (R) **10.35** Access. (R) **10.40** Caught on Camera. (R) **11.00** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.00** On Benefits: The Bargain Queen. (R) **1.00** On Benefits: Breadline Brummies. (R) **2.00** On Benefits: Cash-Strapped Couples. (R) **3.00** The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door. (R) **4.00** The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door. (R) **5.00** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away. (R)

6.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away. The agents chase £4,500 owed to a shipping company by a car parts dealer in Lancashire, and in east London, the officers try to collect over £2,000 owed to a housing association. (R)

6.55 5 News Weekend.

7.00 NCIS: Los Angeles. The FBI's domestic terrorist task force steps in to help the team when a former marine is suspected of creating a chemical bomb.

7.45 NCIS. A US Navy Public Affairs Officer is killed, and when the team takes up the case, both the man's wife and his mistress emerge as potential suspects. Each woman offering a very different take on the chain of events that led to the murder, and the investigators are forced to decide which of the two is telling the truth. Meanwhile, DiNozzo's father comes to the aid of a homeless woman, who makes a surprising claim about his relationship with her. Guest starring Robert Wagner.

8.45 Film: Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves. (1991) An English nobleman returns home from the crusades to find his father has been murdered and the local people are repressed by the tyrannical rule of the Sheriff of Nottingham. Branded an outlaw, he recruits a group of bandits to fight for justice and protect the downtrodden. Action adventure, starring Kevin Costner, Alan Rickman and Morgan Freeman. Edited for violence and language. Includes a 5 News Update at 9.45pm.

11.45 Football on 5: Goal Rush. Action from the final fixtures of the regular season in League Two, including Luton Town v Morecambe, Hartlepool United v Doncaster Rovers, and Newport County v Notts County.

12.15 SuperCasino. **3.10 Film:** Beyond a Reasonable Doubt. (2009)

DIGITAL

BBC Four

7.00 Dan Cruickshank: At Home with the British **8.00** The BBC at War **9.00** Hinterland **10.30** Top of the Pops: 1983 **11.45** Genesis: Together & Apart **1.20** TOTP2: Genesis **2.05** Prog at the BBC **3.05** Sounds of the Eighties **3.30** Close

ITV2

11.05 Britain's Got Talent **12.25** Britain's Got More Talent **1.25** Take Me Out **2.40** Take Me Out – The Gossip **3.40** You've Been Framed! **4.10 Film:** Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (2010) **5.10** FYI Daily **5.15 Film:** Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (2010) **6.25 Film:** Paul Blart: Mall Cop (2009) **7.25** FYI Daily **7.30 Film:** Paul Blart: Mall Cop (2009) **8.15** Scorpion **9.15** Britain's Got More Talent **10.20** Celebrity Juice **11.20** Family Guy **12.50 Film:** Delivery Man (2013) **1.55** FYI Daily **2.00 Film:** Delivery Man (2013) **2.45** The Hot Desk: The Vamps **2.55** Teleshopping **5.55** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3

12.50 Wycliffe **1.55** Lewis **5.55** Rosemary & Thyme **7.00** Midsomer Murders **9.00** Foyle's War **11.00** Law & Order: UK **2.00** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV4

11.00 British Superbike Championship Highlights **12.05** Road Racing Series **1.10 Film:** Superman (1978) **2.10** FYI Daily **2.15 Film:** Superman (1978) **4.05** The Car Chasers **5.05** Pawn Stars **6.05** Storage Wars **7.05** The Sweeney **8.05** Better Late Than Never **9.00 Film:** Lethal Weapon 4 (1998) **10.05** FYI Daily **10.10 Film:** Lethal Weapon 4 (1998) **11.30 Film:** American Gangster (2007) **12.30** FYI Daily **12.35 Film:** American Gangster (2007) **2.35** The Car Chasers **3.00** Teleshopping

E4

11.00 The Goldbergs **12.30 Film:** Astro Boy (2009) **2.15 Film:** The Net (1995) **4.30** The Big Bang Theory **9.00 Film:** Hanna (2011) **11.10** Gogglebox **1.20** Rude Tube **2.25** Tattoo Fixers **3.20** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **4.05** How I Met Your Mother **4.45** Black-ish **5.05** Charmed

Film4

11.00 The Rugrats Movie (1999) **1.00** Dr Seuss' The Lorax (2012) **2.40** Short Circuit (1986) **4.40** A Thousand Words (2012) **6.35** Mrs Doubtfire (1993) **9.00** Aliens (1986) Sci-fi thriller sequel, starring Sigourney Weaver. **12.05** The Woman in Black: Angel of Death (2014) Horror sequel, starring Helen McCrory and Jeremy Irvine. **2.00** American Mary (2012) **4.00** Close

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SUNDAY'S TV MAY 7

CHOICE

Samantha Spiro

Babs
(BBC1, 8pm)
Biopic of Barbara Windsor, following the key events of her life over the course of 50 years. The story begins in 1993, with the actress preparing for a stage performance, before flashing back to her childhood as a lonely evacuee in the Second World War, her rise to fame in the Carry On films and her difficult relationships with her father and her first husband, gangster Ronnie Knight. Samantha Spiro, Jaime Winstone and Windsor herself share the lead role.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **7.40** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. **11.00** Regional Programme. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News. **1.15** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **2.15** Money for Nothing. (R) **3.00** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.00** Points of View. **4.15** Songs of Praise. **4.50** Pointless Celebrities. (R) **5.35** BBC News. **5.50** Regional Programme.

6.00 Countryfile. The latest rural developments, including reports on issues affecting country communities and insights into the life of the modern farmer.

7.00 Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce presents the show from Ightham Mote, a medieval manor near Sevenoaks. Objects brought in to be valued include a gold ring containing a lock of Lord Byron's hair, a pair of Chinese paintings, and a collection of postcards from 1916 that reveal the story of how a British PoW sent secret messages back to his family.

8.00 Babs. Biopic of Barbara Windsor, following her life between 1943 and 1993, including her evacuation in the Second World War, her rise to fame and her marriage to gangster Ronnie Knight.

9.30 Mrs Brown's Boys. Agnes tries to make friends with Dermot's mother-in-law Hillary ahead of the baby's birth, and suggests they go out to dinner together. However, the evening comes to an abrupt end for the two feuding matriarchs when expectant mum Maria goes into labour, and the Browns are forced to rush her to hospital. Comedy, written by and starring Brendan O'Carroll. (R)

10.00 BBC News.
10.20 Regional Programme.
10.30 Match of the Day 2. Mark Chapman reviews the latest Premier League action, featuring Liverpool v Southampton at Anfield and Arsenal v Manchester United at the Emirates Stadium. The Saints are set for a mid-table finish, but the other three teams involved needed three points to boost their chances of finishing in the top four.

11.40 The Women's Football Show. Tina Daheley and guests reflect on the weekend's FA Women's Super League Spring Series action.

12.15 Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.20** BBC News.

BBC2

6.15 A to Z of TV Gardening. (R) **7.00** The Instant Gardener. (R) **7.45** Gardeners' World. (R) **8.15** The Beechgrove Garden. **8.45** Countryfile. (R) **9.45** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.15** Great British Menu. (R) **11.45** Great British Menu. (R) **12.15** MOTD2 Extra. **1.00** Rugby Highlights. **2.00** Equestrian: Badminton Horse Trials. Live coverage of the three-day eventing competition. **4.00** Rowing World Cup. Live coverage of the opening meeting of the season from Belgrade. **5.30** Flog It! (R) **5.55 Film:** The Terminal. (2004) Comedy, starring Tom Hanks and Catherine Zeta-Jones.

8.00 Mexico: Earth's Festival of Life. New series. The first of three programmes about the wildlife, landscape and culture in different areas of the country explores the Sierra Madre mountains, and reveals how this rugged landscape has shaped the nation. This chain of peaks includes several volcanoes and is home to a wide variety of animals, including black bears, monarch butterflies, orchid bees and quetzals. The programme also visits the ruins of an ancient Aztec shrine and the blue agave plant which grows in the mountains is used in making tequila.

9.00 Dara and Ed's Road to Mandalay. New series. Dara O Briain and Ed Byrne explore South East Asia, travelling more than 3,000 miles from Malaysia to Myanmar as they forge their way to the historic city of Mandalay. The comedians begin their journey in the Malaysian capital of Kuala Lumpur, where they watch a beauty pageant for chickens and join a mass cycle ride through the city.

10.00 Film: Kajaki. (2014) Premiere. A group of paratroopers are pushed to their limits while trying to find a safe route out of a minefield in Afghanistan. Fact-based thriller, starring David Elliot.

11.40 Film: The Reluctant Fundamentalist. (2012) A Pakistani professor tells a journalist how he was driven to radical politics in the aftermath of the September 11 attacks. Drama, starring Riz Ahmed and Liev Schreiber.

1.40 Sign Zone: Question Time. Topical debate from Wigan. (R) **2.40** Holby City. (R) **3.40** This Is BBC Two. Preview of upcoming programmes.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Bottom Knocker Street. **6.10** Bottom Knocker Street. (R) **6.25** Sooty. (R) **6.35** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **6.40** Dino Dan: Trek's Adventures. (R) **7.00** Oddbods. (R) **7.05** Marvel Avengers Assemble. (R) **7.30** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **7.55** NinjaGo: Masters of Spinjitzu. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** Countrywise. (R) **10.00** Peston on Sunday. **11.00** Judge Rinder. (R) **12.00** ITV News; Weather. **12.10** Britain's Got Talent. (R) **1.30** ITV Racing: Live from Newmarket. Coverage of today's race meetings at Newmarket and Hamilton Park. **4.05 Film:** Diamonds Are Forever. (1971) James Bond spy adventure, starring Sean Connery.

6.35 Regional Programme; Weather.
6.40 ITV News; Weather.

7.00 Bigheads. Jason Manford hosts the comedy game show in which contestants compete in a series of bizarre physical challenges while wearing giant model heads of Victoria Beckham, Winston Churchill, Elton John and Will.i.am. They must dodge past giant bouncers to get into a nightclub, steal champagne, and get away before the paparazzi see them. With commentary from Jenny Powell and Kriss Akabusi.

8.00 The Durrells. Louisa struggles to adapt to Larry moving out. The thought of all her children leaving her drives her to set aside her doubts about pursuing a relationship with Hugh, which leads to a revealing conversation about Vasilia. The younger Durrell children are not sure when their mother's birthday is – so plan a party anyway.

9.00 Grantchester. The village is rocked by a series of armed robberies. Leonard witnesses the first raid and is able to identify one of the criminals – only for the man in question to turn up dead.

10.00 ITV News; Weather.

10.20 Peston on Sunday. Political magazine, presented by Robert Peston. Allegra Stratton presents a guide to the latest issues on social media. (R)

11.20 Premiership Rugby Union. Highlights of the final round of top-flight fixtures, which included Wasps v Saracens, Northampton Saints v Harlequins, and Bristol v Newcastle Falcons.

12.15 Lethal Weapon. (R) **1.05** Jackpot247. **3.00** Motorsport UK.

CHANNEL 4

6.15 The King of Queens. (R) **6.40** The King of Queens. (R) **7.05** The King of Queens. (R) **7.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Frasier. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** Eat the Week. **1.30** The Simpsons. (R) **2.00** The Simpsons. (R) **2.30 Film:** Ghostbusters II. (1989) Supernatural comedy sequel, starring Bill Murray. **4.40** World's Most Expensive Cars. **5.40** George Clarke's Old House, New Home. (R)

6.35 Channel 4 News.

7.00 Escape to Costa Rica. Gaia Vince visits Central America's largest hydroelectric dam and the exclusion zone of an active volcano and discovers how Costa Rica has harnessed one of nature's most destructive forces to provide electricity. She also goes white-water rafting to a remote eco-lodge and helps to build artificial reefs from unlikely recycling materials.

8.00 Film: Captain America: The First Avenger. (2011) A puny but brave volunteer is rejected for military service during the Second World War. He becomes the test subject for an experiment that transforms him into the ultimate soldier, and battles against a secret Nazi society plotting to harness the powers of a mystical artefact. Superhero adventure, with Chris Evans, Hugo Weaving, Hayley Atwell and Tommy Lee Jones.

10.25 Film: Prometheus. (2012) A spacecraft travels to another world in search of aliens that may have created the human race. Ridley Scott's sci-fi thriller, with Noomi Rapace and Michael Fassbender.

12.45 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA. The Greek at the Harbour restaurant in California. (R) **1.35** Millionaires' Mansions: Designing Britain's Most Exclusive Homes. The private world of luxury interior design in London. (R) **2.25** The Break Up. Cameras follow a relationship's break up. (R) **3.15** KOTV Boxing Weekly. Jorge Linares v Anthony Crolla. **3.40** Gillette World Sport. With Maxence Parrot and David Villa. **4.10** Mobil 1 The Grid. (R) **4.35** Shipping Wars UK. Dave and Jenny transport a handcrafted rowing boat. (R) **5.05** Location, Location, Location. Revisiting two couples who wanted a new home and business. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Mr Men. **6.10** Milkshake! Monkey. (R) **6.15** Peppa Pig. (R) **6.20** Peppa Pig. (R) **6.25** Wissper. (R) **6.35** Paw Patrol. (R) **6.45** Bob the Builder. (R) **7.00** Fireman Sam. (R) **7.10** Olly the Little White Van. **7.15** Olly the Little White Van. **7.20** Paw Patrol. (R) **7.30** Blaze and the Monster Machines. (R) **7.55** Noddy: Toyland Detective. (R) **8.15** Wissper. (R) **8.25** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **8.40** Shimmer and Shine. (R) **9.05** Little Princess. (R) **9.20** Peppa Pig. (R) **9.25** Peppa Pig. (R) **9.30** Peppa Pig. (R) **9.40** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.55** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. (R) **10.30** Football on 5: Goal Rush. (R) **10.55** Caught on Camera. (R) **11.25** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.20** Police Interceptors. (R) **1.20 Film:** Cats & Dogs. (2001) Comedy, starring Jeff Goldblum. **3.00** Puppies Make You Laugh Out Loud. (R) **4.00** Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud 3. (R) **5.00 Film:** Journey 2: The Mysterious Island. (2012)

7.00 Cricket on 5. England v Ireland. Highlights of the second contest in the two-match series, which took place at Lord's. This was the eighth overall meeting in this format of the game between these nations, and just the second to take place on English soil, following quickly from the first encounter at The Brightside Ground in Bristol last Friday.

8.00 Football on 5: The Championship. Action from the final round of regular-season fixtures, including Nottingham Forest v Ipswich Town, Brentford v Blackburn Rovers, and Bristol City v Birmingham City.

8.55 5 News Weekend.

9.00 When Magic Goes Wrong. Illusions that went spectacularly badly, including stories of magicians' brushes with death, as well as mishaps involving Dynamo, Paul Daniels and David Blaine. (R)

10.00 Comedy Gold: TV's Funniest Ever Sketches. Compilation of classic comedy sketches from TV's most popular stars.

11.25 Football on 5: The Play-offs. Action from the League One play-off semi-finals, as the teams battled for a place in the play-off final at Wembley Stadium on Saturday 20 May.

12.05 Film: Bangkok Dangerous. (2008) **1.45** SuperCasino. **3.10** Top 20 Funniest. **4.00** Criminals: Caught on Camera. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four
7.00 The Birth of British Music **8.00** The Secret Life of the Motorway **9.00** Betroffenheit from Sadler's Wells **10.50** Seven Ages of Starlight **12.20** The Story of Maths **1.20** The BBC at War **2.20** Britain's Nuclear Secrets: Inside Sellafield **3.20** Close

ITV2
11.20 Take Me Out **12.40 Film:** Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium (2007) **1.40** FYI Daily **1.45 Film:** Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium (2007) **2.30 Film:** Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous (2005) **3.30** FYI Daily **3.35 Film:** Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous (2005) **4.45** Britain's Got Talent **6.00** Britain's Got More Talent **7.05 Film:** Evan Almighty (2007) **8.05** FYI Daily **8.10 Film:** Evan Almighty (2007) **9.00** Take Me Out – The Gossip **10.00** Family Guy **11.30** American Dad! **12.25** The Cleveland Show **1.25** The Vampire Diaries **2.15** The Hot Desk: Jonas Blue **2.25** Teleshopping **5.55** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3
12.00 Film: Columbo: Suitable for Framing (1971) **1.40** A Touch of Frost **3.45** Foyle's War **5.55** Midsomer Murders **8.00** Royal Stories **9.00** Cameraman to the Queen **10.00** Law & Order: UK **12.05** Wire in the Blood **2.05** Lewis **3.45** May the Best House Win

ITV4
11.15 Live British Touring Car Championship. **6.20** Football Rivalries **6.30** Pawn Stars **7.00** Fishing Impossible **8.00** Premiership Rugby Union **9.00** Car Wars **10.00 Film:** Unforgiven (1992) **11.00** FYI Daily **11.05 Film:** Unforgiven (1992) **12.40** British Superbike Championship Highlights **1.45** BRDC Formula 3 Championship Highlights **2.45** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping

E4
1.30 Brooklyn Nine-Nine **2.00** New Girl **2.30** Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **2.40** The Big Bang Theory **4.40 Film:** The Spy Next Door (2010) **6.30** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **10.00** Tattoo Fixers **12.05** Rude Tube: Love Bytes **1.10** First Dates **2.15** E4's Tattoo Artist of the Year **3.05** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **3.50** Hollyoaks

Film4
1.00 Gulliver's Travels (2010) **2.35** Rugrats Go Wild (2003) **4.10** The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader (2010) **6.20** The Karate Kid (2010) **9.00** A Million Ways to Die in the West (2014) **11.15** Magic Mike (2012) **1.30** The Runaways (2010) **3.45** Close

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PICK OF THE WEEK

FILM CHOICES

MONDAY
Parker, Channel 5, 11.05pm
A thief is betrayed and left for dead by his partners in crime. He learns they are planning a diamond heist in a wealthy neighbourhood, so poses as a millionaire wanting to buy a house in the area. A real-estate agent sees through the disguise and helps him get even by stealing the gems from his gang. Action thriller, with Jason Statham and Jennifer Lopez. (2013)

TUESDAY
Bone to Pick: Teagarden Mystery, Channel 5, 3.15pm
Librarian sleuth Aurora Teagarden inherits a house when her friend unexpectedly dies and discovers her new home has a skull hidden in a window seat. Mystery, starring Candace Cameron Bure, Peter Benson and Dave Collette. (2015)

WEDNESDAY
Home, BBC1, 11.45pm
A British family leave their home for what at first appears to be a holiday, but their trip soon turns out to be a very different kind of journey. Short drama, starring Jack O'Connell and Holliday Grainger. (2016)

Win a Date with Tad Hamilton!, Friday, BBC1, 11.55pm

THURSDAY
My Family's Secret, Channel 5, 3.15pm
A man attempts suicide, leaving a cryptic note claiming he may have caused his sister's death. His wife goes back to his home town in search of answers and asks his brother for help. She does not realise her brother-in-law has a split personality, and digging up the past brings out his more dangerous aspects. Thriller, starring Nichollle Tom and Dylan Neal. (2010)

FRIDAY
Win a Date with Tad Hamilton!, BBC1, 11.55pm
A screen idol's reputation is damaging his career, so his manager comes up with a plan to rehabilitate the actor's public image by giving ordinary women across America the chance to win a date with him. The prize eventually goes to a supermarket checkout girl – much to the annoyance of her best friend, who has secretly carried a torch for her for years. Romantic comedy, with Kate Bosworth and Topher Grace. (2004)

Judges John and Gregg have served up a treat for the final

MasterChef fans are a loyal lot. It's genuinely accepted these days that the show only becomes compulsive viewing in the final week, so top marks if you've managed to stay the course again throughout its 12th series.

At least there have been plenty of variety in the tasks, as increasingly svelte pudding-king Gregg Wallace and sidekick John Torode have gone about their business whittling down the original 64 contenders.

There have been Calling Cards, Invention Tests, Critic's Meals and Chef's Tables, as well as heats, knockout weeks, team relays and trips abroad.

Some would say it's almost as confusing as the cooks' complicated dishes.

This week has already been a gruelling one for the finalists attempting to bake, fry, steam, roast and boil their way to success.

On Monday, the remaining five went to Winfield House, the official residence of the US ambassador to the UK, where they had just four hours to serve a five-course dinner with an American theme for the diplomat and his guests, under the watchful eye of Michelin-starred chef Paul Ainsworth.

Then on Wednesday, the surviving four embarked on a culinary adventure in South Africa, where their skills will be pushed to the limit in three demanding tests involving a braai (a traditional South African barbecue), a lunch service at The Test Kitchen, ranked as one the world's top 25 restaurants, and a dinner fit for Cape Town's cultural and culinary elite.

Then last night, the chefs were whittled down again as they faced the toughest challenge of the competition – the Chef's Table.

First, they were out to impress judges Wallace and Torode with a classic dish that bears their own personal stamp.

Then the remaining trio got the chance to cook a three-course lunch menu alongside modern culinary legend Sat Bains at his two-Michelin-starred restaurant in Nottingham.

However, to add to the pressure, a table of the UK's finest chefs – Shaun Rankin, Steve Groves, Tom Kitchin, Paul Ainsworth, Ashley Palmer-Watts and Clare Smyth – were waiting with knives and forks in hand to sample their efforts.

Tonight, the formidable seven-week contest reaches its climax and the finalists are pushed to the limit one last time.

This is their chance to show everything they have learned, and over three hours demonstrate what sort of cook they have become.

They must produce three exceptional courses, push the culinary boundaries and give the judges an awe-inspiring tasting.

Then it's over to Wallace and Torode to decide which of the trio deserves to succeed last year's victor Jane Devonshire and be crowned MasterChef Champion 2017.

Despite MasterChef the series being a slog at times, this final should, like any mouthwatering starter dish, leave fans wanting more.

John Torode and Gregg Wallace in MasterChef: The Finals, Friday, BBC1, 8.30pm

BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY
Inside the Gang: Young Blood
Channel 5, 9pm
On some of Britain's toughest estates, gangs are increasingly a way of life. But just what does being a member involve, and what happens to the recruits who decide they want out? Those are the questions at the heart of the first edition of a new series, which sets out to expose the truth about British gangs. Veteran members, known as 'olders,' reveal how younger members are attracted by the lure of money, girls and flash cars, only to find themselves being used to sell drugs and carry out acts of violence. But some of these 'olders' are shocked by just how far the new generation is prepared to go.

Little Boy Blue
ITV, 9pm
With the dream team of writer Jeff Pope (one of the brains behind Philomena and Cilla) and star Stephen Graham on board, this has turned into one of the most compelling dramas of the year. And this week's offering does little to diminish its impact. When potential witness Claire Olssen is intimidated into changing her statement, the investigation team look for alternative ways to reinforce their case. As Steve returns to work, Kelly is offered a deal that tests his resolve. Sinead Keenan also stars.

TUESDAY
Elizabeth I: Battle for the Throne
Channel 5, 9pm
Many big stars have played Elizabeth I, from Bette Davis to Helen Mirren, Judi Dench to Cate Blanchett, Quentin Crisp to Glenda Jackson and beyond. Now model-turned-actress Lily Cole is taking on the mantel of Good Queen Bess in this three-part docudrama; Suzannah Lipscomb and Dan Jones present the documentary parts. The first edition focuses on Elizabeth's early life, which saw her declared illegitimate, banished from court and frozen out of Henry VIII's life following the beheading of her mother, Anne Boleyn. She was then third in line to the throne; the premature deaths of her half-siblings Edward and Mary paved the way for her coronation at the age of 25 - her road to the crown had been a rocky one, and there were other obstacles looming on the horizon.

WEDNESDAY
Quadruplets and Homeless
Channel 4, 10pm
After 10 years of trying to have a child together, Aynur and Tony are surprised to hear the news they have four coming along all at once. With quadruplets on the way and no home of their own, the couple move in with Aynur's supportive, traditional Turkish parents. Although they do not always see eye to eye, Tony is determined to prove to her family that he will be committed when their new arrivals are born, despite his struggles with alcohol.

Little Boy Blue, Monday, ITV, 9pm

THURSDAY
The Truth About Sleep
BBC1, 9pm
Medical journalist and chronic insomniac Michael Mosley journeys into the world of sleep, finding out what it is and what happens to someone if they do not get enough. Michael seeks to discover whether his own insomnia runs in the family, sending off a blood sample for DNA analysis, and meets Dr Eleanor Scott in Leeds who is doing research into a possible link between Type 2 diabetes and lack sleep.

Born to Kill
Channel 4, 9pm
With Sam's father released from prison, Jenny makes a desperate effort to get to the bottom of her son's increasingly dangerous behaviour. But she fears she may be too late. Conclusion of the gripping psychological thriller about a seemingly normal teenager whose dark desires start to emerge after he discovers the truth about the father he believed was dead, starring Romola Garai, Jack Rowan, Richard Coyle, Daniel Mays and Lara Peake. Last in the series.

FRIDAY
Inside the Houses of Parliament
Channel 5, 9pm
It's one of Britain's most iconic buildings, but a lot of people are too distracted by the squabbling and occasional scandals that goes on inside Westminster to pay much attention to the structure itself. Here, cameras explore the corridors of power to uncover a maze of secret rooms and hidden worlds that contain the beating heart of the British state. But while the Houses of Parliament may look imposing, they have also been exposed to two centuries worth of British weather and pollution. The programme reveals how the leaking roof and crumbling walls could take 40 years to repair.

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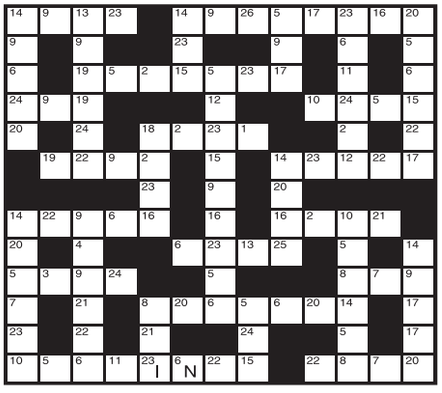

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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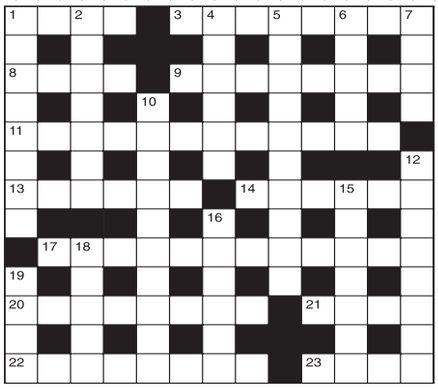
Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.



Cryptic Clues:

Across

1. Even well-done steaks are nowadays! (4)
3. Strung up (8)
8. Forbid a rigged vote (4)
9. American prison with emphasis on harmony? (4-4)
11. Wait to start a game of ping-pong? (5,2,5)
13. Native found in bed (6)
14. Amuse touchingly (6)
17. They often invite you to their houses (6,6)
20. A diet put out for fitness (8)
21. Song needs a tuneful backing (4)
22. Indeed not all went (8)
23. The advantage being sharp gives one? (4)

Down

1. The last thing those taking exams should do (8)
2. Sends back the proceeds (7)
4. They raise this so awkwardly (6)
5. Impressions of some artists (10)
6. Not only soldiers may be bored by it (5)
7. Appreciates accommodation (4)
10. He does well with his money (10)
12. Picture which has a main theme (8)
15. Relatively gentle colour? (7)
16. Has it a piercing eye? Just the opposite (6)
18. Beg to put off retirement (3,2)
19. Music circle (4)

Quick Clues:

Across

1. Slender (4)
3. Boiling vessel (8)
8. Spindle (4)
9. Likely (8)
11. Irresistible (12)
13. Oppose (6)
14. Unchanging (6)
17. Showed (12)
20. Detached (8)
21. Nothing (4)
22. Thwarts (8)
23. Cosy (4)

Down

1. Coastline (8)
2. Malady (7)
4. Missiles (6)
5. Scientific workroom (10)
6. Redbreast (5)
7. Require (4)
10. Bishops (10)
12. Precipitately (8)
15. To and from (7)
16. Agree (6)
18. Call forth (5)
19. Flaccid (4)

Sudoku

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Fill in the grid above so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Infantryman; 9 Invoice; 10 Asset; 11 Helot; 12 Extract; 13 Escort; 15 Spinal; 18 Senegal; 20 Token; 22 Overt; 23 Whereas; 24 Temperately. Down: 2 Novel; 3 Aviator; 4 Thebes; 5 Yeast; 6 Abstain; 7 High tension; 8 Stateliness; 14 Concede; 16 Patient; 17 Flower; 19 Get-up; 21 Kneel.
QUICK - Across: 1 Information; 9 Retreat; 10 Refer; 11 Sides; 12 Nominal; 13 Chosen; 15 Assess; 18 Treason; 20 Eaten; 22 Orate; 23 Express; 24 Free and easy. Down: 2 Noted; 3 Oversee; 4 Mutiny; 5 Thrum; 6 Offence; 7 Prosecution; 8 Artlessness; 14 Open-air; 16 Steeple; 17 Unseen; 19 Sieve; 21 Tress.

Quiz

1. What was Charles Sherwood Stratton's nickname?
2. In which religion are the Veda the most sacred scriptures?
3. Where did Body Shop's Anita Roddick open her first shop?
4. Who wrote the musical Oliver!?
5. Of what is the predatory crown-of-thorns a variety?
6. Which North African capital is known in Arabic as Tarabulus al-Gharb?
7. What type of creature is a mara?
8. Over how many days is a decathlon held?
9. Which 1930s film star married three oil millionaires?
10. In which county is the village of Stilton?

Last week's solutions:

Quiz: 1 An insect; 2 Poland; 3 Spike Milligan; 4 Thomas Stamford Raffles; 5 Sea of Galilee; 6 Basil Hume; 7 Laurens van der Post; 8 Vesuvius; 9 William the Conqueror; 10 Verona.

Niner: REICHSTAG

Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

15338174 gives a flower,
926642 gives a plant,
159124789 gives a weed.

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Inside story – The Belfry Hotel and resort lobby

And relax – the indoor pool and spa at The Belfry

The sweeping entrance and lovely gardens at The Belfry hotel

Choice of three golf courses

This is luxury – par excellence

FROM the minute you drive up the winding driveway to The Belfry you are struck by the luxury and class of this hotel and resort.

A chandelier of golf clubs provides a dramatic entrance to The Belfry's reception and that's before you take in the Brabazon Bar in its art deco style.

Our 10-year-old son has taken up golf and keen to do things as a family we decided to try our hand at the sport.

It was with this new and shared interest in a 'frustrating but fun' sport that we thought we would visit The Belfry at Wishaw, near Sutton Coldfield. Just an hour's drive from home you could say that it is virtually on our doorstep.

The Belfry is synonomous with golf and has been home to the Ryder Cup four times – it has played host to more Ryder Cup matches than any other venue in the world.

Our family room had a balcony overlooking the stunning Brabazon course. Its manicured greens and majestic fairways have challenged the biggest legends of the golfing world.

By Lisa Bailey

It was glorious to be able to stand on the balcony and look out at this iconic course.

We started the day with a family lesson at the PGA Golf Academy – it's the only PGA branded golf academy in England.

The academy was a hive of activity and we were swept away by senior PGA coach Derek Simpson to our session in one of the five individual custom fitting suites. An hour flew by with Derek giving us a masterclass on our swing – watching and then videoing our technique in detail.

Our posture and swing were compared to Tiger Woods (a tad unfair I think!), but it was so interesting to see how all three of us performed. Derek was professional and his great sense of humour kept us entertained and enthusiastic.

The hour's lesson was a warm up for our game later in the day. The Belfry has three courses – Brabazon as mentioned, the PGA National which has hosted two European tour events and The Derby.

The Derby is a parkland course and is perfect for players of all levels. As beginners it was the course for us. A little daunted at first, we teed off and thoroughly enjoyed the nine holes we played of the 18-hole tree-lined course. Described as a gentle challenge, it posed more of a difficult task for the three of us.

The class of the hotel is on a par with the fantastic golf courses. It seems to cater for all. For families it has the indoor pool, woodland walk and The Belfry's Ryder Legends Mini Golf course – a 12-hole course inspired by the legendary Ryder Cup courses.

Classics

For couples there is the luxury spa with treatments and the unique experience of Fire & Ice featuring 12 bio-thermal rooms. There is also the AA Rosette restaurant The Ryder Grill, where you can enjoy a la carte dining and stunning views of the golf course while watching the open plan kitchen.

And, if you are there for business, there are 22 conference and event rooms, as well as the golf, restaurants, bars, a nightclub and spa. In 2013, The Belfry underwent a £26 million renovation. Further work has since been carried out to the spa and other areas of the four-star hotel and resort.

Food at the resort can be either casual or a la carte in The Ryder Grill. Rocca's Pizza Pasta Restaurant hit the spot on the first night with a menu of Italian classics. The casual surroundings were ideal with various parties coming in through the evening – most did not seem to be staying at the hotel, but had travelled to the hotel.

Tomato and buffalo mozzarella, stuffed mini calzone and spicy chicken rigatoni were just some of the delicious dishes we had. Our son had his eye on Rocca's Chocolate Amore – a layered chocolate heaven cake – for dessert, but unfortunately he did not leave any room.

From the minute we arrived to the moment we left, service at The Belfry was outstanding. Staff wherever we went were polite and professional, and seemed to go that extra mile. It was also so nice to see younger members of staff were courteous. My husband and I passed comment after our visit that we had not encountered such friendly staff in a large venue before.

The Belfry was a wonderful place to spend family time together.

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Four-bedroomed detached house has the wow factor

The Hollies in Cheslyn Hay village is an outstanding four-bedroomed detached family home that is exceptionally well presented throughout.

Packed with the "wow factor", it is for sale through Webbs at £380,000.

It is set in a quiet cul-de-sac location, close to local amenities and schools.

Its accommodation briefly comprises a through entrance hallway, a lounge, a dining room, a breakfast room, a conservatory, a utility room and a guest WC. To the first floor there are four double bedrooms, with a dressing area and en-suite to the master bedroom and a family bathroom. Externally there are landscaped gardens, a driveway and a double garage.

In more detail, designer radiators feature throughout. The through hallway has stairs off. The lounge has a bay window, a wall-mounted electric plasma fire and an open aspect to the dining room. The breakfast room overlooks the rear garden and the conservatory has French doors to the garden.

The kitchen includes a range of wall, base and drawer units, work surface over, an inset single drainer sink, integrated double oven, hob with extractor hood over, integrated dishwasher, ample appliance space and door to the utility room with a sink, units and ample appliance space.

Upstairs the master suite has French doors to the front, opening on to a Juliette balcony, fitted wardrobes, an en-suite and a dressing area with an open aspect to the bedroom.

Bedroom two has a window to the front and fitted wardrobes. Bedroom three overlooks the rear and has fitted wardrobes, as does bedroom four.

The bathroom is positioned to the rear of the home and is tiled to bathing areas.

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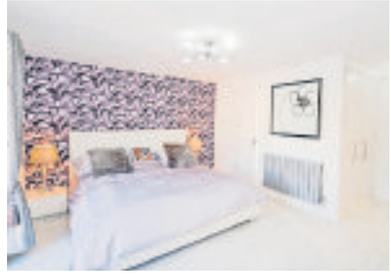

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- Four bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom and ensuite shower room
- Well stocked gardens
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- Reception hall
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- Three bedrooms
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- Private gardens
- Detached garage
- Gas fired central heating
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- Reception hall
- L shaped lounge/dining area
- Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Built on garage
- Well stocked gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating D (63)

£249,950 FREEHOLD

13 BERWICK DRIVE, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE LOCATED IN POPULAR RESIDENTIAL AREA OF THE TOWN Conveniently Located For Facilities

- Lounge
- Double glazed conservatory
- Kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Shower room and separate toilet
- Gardens
- Off road parking
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating C (72)

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23 RED LION AVENUE, NORTON CANES

WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Private Drive Convenient For Facilities Within the Village of Norton Canes

- Lounge and dining room
- Refitted kitchen
- Double glazed conservatory
- Three bedrooms
- Ensuite shower room and family bathroom
- Integral garage
- Fully double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- Intruder alarm
- EPC rating E (53)

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- Three reception rooms
- Refitted kitchen and utility
- Double glazed conservatory
- Five bedrooms
- Refitted family bathroom and ensuite shower room
- Detached double width garage
- Landscaped private rear gardens
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- Fully double glazed and intruder alarm
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4 RUTLAND ROAD, HEATH HAYES

IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOWLocated In Popular Cul-De-Sac Close to Facilities at Heath Hayes Village Centre

- Porch and reception hall
- Lounge
- L shaped kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Refitted shower room
- Well stocked gardens
- Possible garage space
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
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11 WALHOUSE STREET, CANNOCK

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- Reception hall
- Two reception rooms
- Kitchen
- Four bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom and ensuite shower room
- Detached double width garage
- Gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating E (42)

£220,000 FREEHOLD

430 LITTLEWORTH ROAD, HEDNESFORD

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW OCCUPYING SECLUDED POSITION IN PRIVATE DRIVE Convenient For Facilities at Hednesford, Heath Hayes and Cannock Centres

- Side reception hall
- Lounge
- Fitted breakfast kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gardens
- Possible garage space
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating C (72)

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- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Bathroom and en-suite shower room
- Two bedrooms
- Allocated parking space
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating C (80)

£149,950

43 HUNTSMANS RISE, HUNTINGTON

CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW Located In Popular Cul-De-Sac with Extensive Panoramic Views Over Sports Field and Farm Land Towards Shropshire and The Wrekin to the Rear

- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Ensuite shower room and bathroom
- Double glazed conservatory
- Store room and utility room
- Off road parking and gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating D (59)

£184,950 FREEHOLD

51 MANOR AVENUE, CANNOCK

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED AND EXTENDED THREE BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE OF CHARACTER Located In Popular Cul-De-Sac Convenient For Facilities at Cannock Town Centre

- Lounge
- Double glazed conservatory
- Breakfast kitchen
- Side entrance lobby & utility room
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom and separate toilet
- Off road parking and well stocked garden
- Predominatly double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- EPC rating D (56)

£289,950 FREEHOLD

16 LISSIMORE DRIVE, TIPTON

TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT Located In This Popular Residential Area Convenient For Facilities

- Entrance lobby and reception hall
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Communal grounds
- Allocated parking in secure parking area
- Fully double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- EPC rating C (74)

£80,000

80 OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED AND IMPROVED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCELocated In Much Sought After Residential Area of The Town Close to the Shoal Hill District of Cannock Chase and Cannock Park to Rear

- Two reception rooms
- Breakfast kitchen, utility room and cloakroom
- Double glazed conservatory
- Four bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Integral garage
- Well stocked gardens
- Intruder alarm
- Part double glazed and gas central heating
- EPC rating E (52)

£399,950 FREEHOLD

14 KING CUP DRIVE, HUNTINGTON

WELL EQUIPPED 4 BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE OFFERING SPACIOUS FLEXIBLE ACCOMMODATION ARRANGE ON THREE FLOORS WITH SCHOOL GROUNDS TO REARConveniently Located For Local Facilities and Access to Cannock Town Centre and Cannock Chase

- Lounge
- Open plan kitchen/ dining/family room
- Four bedrooms
- Ensuite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Built on garage and extensive off road parking
- Gardens and school grounds to rear
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- EPC rating B (82)

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4 BRADBURY COURT, HEDNESFORD

FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE
located In Private Cul-De-Sac

- Reception hall & cloakroom with WC
- Lounge and dining room
- Breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Four bedrooms
- Ensuite shower room & family bathroom
- Integral garage and gardens
- Gas central heating & fully double glazed
- Sorry No smokers, pets or DD
- EPC rating D (59)

£875pcm

APARTMENT 4 MANOR COURT, 7A TANHOUSE FARM ROAD, SOLIHULL

WELL EQUIPPED GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT
Conveniently Located In Much Sought After Residential Area

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Allocated parking space
- Electric heating
- Fully double glazed
- Communal grounds
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS
- EPC rating: C (73)

£625pcm

14 THE FORGE, NORTH STREET, BRIDGTOWN

SPACIOUS NEWLY RENOVATED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT
Located In Gated Development Convenient For Local Facilities And Transport Links

- Communal hall, stairs & landing
- Copen plan lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Shower room
- Fully double glazed
- Electric heating
- Allocated parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: tbc

£525pcm

15 BURGOYNE STREET, CANNOCK

WELL APPOINTED FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- Lounge
- Dining kitchen & utility room
- Ground floor shower room
- Four double bedrooms
- En-suite shower room & family bathroom
- Integral garage
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Sorry no pets, smokers, DSS or sharers
- EPC rating: D (66)

£1050pcm

NO.4 SANDY COURT, 3 SANDY LANE, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED LUXURY TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT
Located In Much Sought After Development In The Shoal Hill District Of The Town Adjoining Cannock Chase

- Lounge/dining/kitchen area
- Two double bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Luxury bathroom
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Security gated access
- Intruder alarm
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- EPC rating: C (79)

£695pcm

48 ST JOHNS ROAD, CANNOCK

THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Conveniently Located For Facilities At The Town Centre

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Ground floor WC
- Three double bedrooms
- Refitted family bathroom
- Built-on garage
- Gas central heating
- Predominantly double glazed
- Sorry no DSS, pets, smokers or children
- EPC rating: F (35)

£695pcm

34 CHESTNUT DRIVE, GREAT WYRLEY

EXTENSIVELY REFURBISHED THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- Cloakroom with wc
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS allowed
- EPC rating: E (46)

£695 pcm

1C CANNOCK ROAD, BURNTWOOD

WELL PRESENTED ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT
Convenient For Local Facilities

- Entrance lobby
- Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: D (67)

£450pcm

THE LODGE, LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, RUGELEY

EXTREMELY WELL APPOINTED ONE BEDROOM LODGE
Situated In This Well Maintained Park Home Development
Convenient For Facilities Locally

- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Sauna
- Electric heating
- Double glazed
- Gardens & decked terrace
- For persons aged 50 & over
- Sorry no smokers, pets or DSS
- EPC rating: N/A

£500pcm

1 FOUNTAIN COURT, TEDDESLEY PARK, PENKRIDGE

SINGLE STOREY BARN CONVERSION
Situated on the Picturesque Rural Estate of Teddesley Park

- Fitted dining kitchen
- Lounge
- Inner Hall
- Two double bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Communal landscaped gardens
- Oil fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry No pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating C (69)

£615pcm

3 BROMLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

WELL APPOINTED TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSELocated In Popular Residential Area

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Off road parking
- Sorry no smokers, pets, DSS or sharers
- EPC rating: tbc

£550pcm

232 HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED AND PRESENTED TWO BEDROOM MID MEWS HOUSE

- Cloakroom with WC
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Gardens & off road parking to the rear
- Sorry no pets, smokers, DSS or sharers
- EPC rating: tbc

£595pcm

8 THE CROSSINGS, MILL STREET, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED MID MEWS HOUSE
Built To A High Specification Conveniently Located For Facilities At The Town Centre And Cannock Train Station

- Cloakroom with WC
- Lounge/dining area
- Fitted kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Off road parking
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: B (84)

£600pcm

3 PARK STREET, CHESLYN HAY

WELL PRESENTED MID TERRACED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area Convenient For Local Facilities

- Lounge
- Dining room
- Kitchen
- Cellar
- Bathroom
- Three bedrooms
- Fully double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- EPC rating: D (61)

£625pcm

5 BEECH TREE COURT, BEECH TREE LANE, CANNOCK

TWO BEDROOM SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT LOCATED IN POPULAR DEVELOPMENT
Convenient For Facilities at the Town Centre

- Communal hall, stairs and landing
- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating & fully double glazed
- Security phone intercom & allocated parking
- No DSS, pets or smokers
- EPC rating C (79)

£495pcm

2 MILL PLACE, TEDDESLEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE

WELL EQUIPPED SINGLE STOREY BARN CONVERSION
Situated On The Picturesque Rural Estate of Teddesley Park

- Lounge
- Fitted dining kitchen
- Inner hall
- Two double bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Oil fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Communal grounds and parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS allowed
- EPC rating C (77)

£685pcm

11 VICTORIA TERRACE, NORTH STREET, BRIDGTOWN

WELL EQUIPPED SPACIOUS SECOND FLOOR FLAT
Convenient For Transport Links & Local Facilities

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Allocated secure parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: C (79)

£525pcm

44 BROOK LANE, GREAT WYRLEY

UNDER APPLICATION

SPACIOUS THREE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroooom
- Separate WC
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Sorry n pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating C (71)

£495pcm

282 WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK

WELL MAINTAINED THREE/FOUR BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- Enclosed porch & reception hall
- Lounge
- Dining room/bedroom 4
- Refitted kitchen
- Inner lobby & guest cloakroom with WC
- Three bedrooms & refitted bathroom
- Fully double glazed & gas central heating
- Garden & off road parking
- Sorry No DSS, smokers or pets allowed
- EPC rating D (65)

£650pcm

7 FOUNTAIN COURT, TEDDESLEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE

ONE BEDROOM SINGLE STOREY BARN CONVERSION
Located on the Picturesque Estate of Teddesley Park

- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge
- Inner hall
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed & Oil fired central heating
- Communal grounds
- Communal parking
- Sorry no DSS, smokers or pets
- EPC rating D (68)

£495.00 pcm

9A COPPICE CLOSE, CHESLYN HAY

SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW
Situated At Head Of Cul-De-Sac In Popular Residential Area

- Lounge
- Breakfast kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Landscaped gardens
- Carport & extensive off road parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: D (64)

£800pcm

15 PARTRIDGE CLOSE, HEATH HAYES

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED END MEWS HOUSE
Located In Popular Residential Area

- Entrance hall
- Lounge/dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- Guest cloakroom with WC
- Landing
- Two double bedrooms
- Ensuite shower room & ensuite bathroom
- Garden & gardens
- Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers

£600.00pcm

56 DARTMOUTH ROAD, CANNOCK

TWO BEDROOMED END MEWS HOUSE
Conveniently Located For Facilities at the Town Centre

- Entrance hall
- Sitting room and living room
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gardens
- Gas fired central heating & all windows are double glazed
- Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- EPC rating D (61)

£525 pcm

50 GLADSTONE ROAD, HEATH HAYES

WELL PRESENTED TWO BEDROOM DETACHED BUNGALOW

- Lounge
- Dining kitchen
- UPVC double glazed conservatory
- Two bedrooms
- Shower room
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Detached garage
- Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- EPC rating: D (66)

£695pcm

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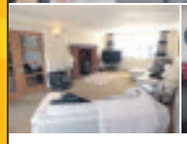

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NEW

3 1 1 EPC D £315,000

Norton Canes Butts Close

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Heath Hayes Wrens Croft

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4 2 2 EPC C £240,000

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REDUCED

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Langholm Drive Heath Hayes

£187,500

• Three Bed Semi-Detached • Garage & Driveway
• South Facing Rear Garden • Downstairs WC
• Open Plan Lounge Diner & Conservatory • EPC = C

Beacon Way Wimblebury

£165,000

• Three bedroom semi deatched • Extended to the ground floor
• Sat on a corner plot • Driveway to the front
• Rear Garden • EPC = TBC

Colliers Way Huntington

£267,500

• Five Bedroom Detached • Two En-Suits & Family Bathroom
• Garage & Driveway • Open Plan Klitchen Diner
• Rear Garden • EPC = C

Limepit Lane Huntington

£310,000

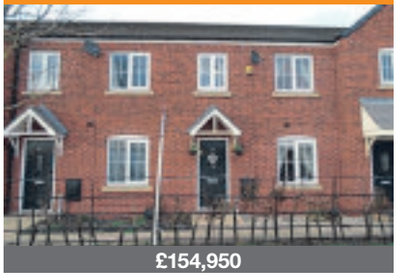
• Detached Dormer Bungalow • High Quality Throughout
• 15ft Lounge & Guest WC • Double Bedroom with En Suite
• Two First Floor Double Bedrooms • EPC = C

Clover Ridge Cheslyn Hay

£240,000

• Four Bedroom Detached Family Home • Sought After Location
• Open Plan Lounge & Dining Area • Refitted Kitchen
• Viewing Essential • EPC = TBC

Lakeside Boulevard Cannock



£154,950

• Three Bed Mid-Terrace • Garage & Allocated Parking
• Kitchen DIner • Guest WC
• Rear Garden • EPC = C

St. Johns Road Cannock

£219,995

• Detached Family Home • Impressive Lounge Diner
• Refitted Breakfast Kitchen • Three Bedrooms
• Close To Cannock Town Centre • EPC = E

Clover Meadows Heath Hayes

£250,000

• Detached Family Home • Lounge & Open Plan Kitchen
• Conservatory & Downstairs WC • Four Bedrooms
• Sought After Location • EPC = E

Lingfield Road Norton Canes

£169,995

• Superbly Presented Semi Detached • Lounge & Dining Room
• Guest WC & Ensuite Shower Room • Three Bedrooms
• Detached Garage & Cul De Sac Location • EPC = D

Hill Street Norton Canes

£210,000

• Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow • Extended To The Rear
• Loft Room Currently Used For Storage • Front & Rear Gardens
• Garage & Driveway • EPC = TBC

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THOMPSON ROAD
BRERETON

A well presented three bedroomed detached family home in a popular and sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Porch, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen and Conservatory. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to Front and Good sized Garden to rear. EPC RATING - D

£190,000

HEDNESFORD ROAD
RUGELEY

●●PHOTOGRAPHS ADDED●●A well presented three bedroomed semi detached family home within walking distance to Cannock Chase ' an area of outstanding natural beauty'. Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. The accommodation comprises of Entrance Porch, Lounge, Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen with Utility Space and Conservatory. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Integral Garage and Driveway with off road Parking.

£175,000

MOOR CROFT
COLTON

Positioned in a cul-de-sac location is this well presented two bedroomed semi-detached property benefitting from Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazing. Reception Hall, Guest Cloakroomm, Lounge and Fitted Kitchen. First Floor Landing with Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Gardens to front and rear. Parking to front. EPC Rating - D

£160,000

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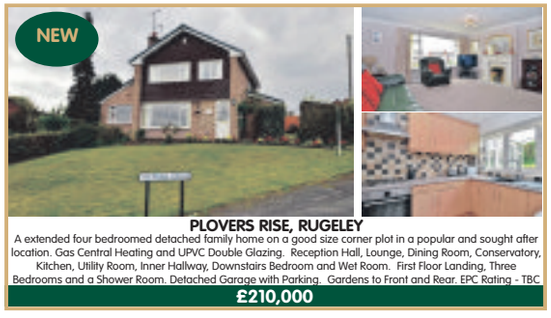

PLOVERS RISE, RUGELEY

A extended four bedroomed detached family home on a good size corner plot in a popular and sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Kitchen, Utility Room, Inner Hallway, Downstairs Bedroom and Wet Room. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and a Shower Room. Detached Garage with Parking. Gardens to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - TBC

£210,000

BONNEY DRIVE, RUGELEY

A four bedroomed family detached positioned at the head of a cul-de-sac within walking distance to the town centre. Reception Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Kitchen, Utility Room and Conservatory. First Floor Landing with Four Bedrooms having master en-suite plus a Family Bathroom. SINGLE GARAGE with parking to front. Enclosed gardens to rear. EPC RATING - C

£260,000

MERRIFIELD HOUSE, HENLEY GRANGE
ETCHINGHILL

C residential Classic Collection are pleased to offer this five bedroomed Executive Detached property in sought after location within close proximity to Cannock Chase 'An area of outstanding natural beauty'. Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Accommodation comprises Reception Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Dining Room, Kitchen, Inner Hallway, Utility room, Lounge, Conservatory and Study. First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom having a Dressing Room and Ensuite, Four Further Bedrooms, One with Ensuite and One with door to the Family Bathroom. Integral Double Garage with Parking and Gardens to the Front and Rear. Viewing is highly recommended. EPC RATING - TBC

£485,000

WEST BUTTS ROAD
RUGELEY

Well presented second floor flat, re-furbished to a high standard. Within walking distance of town centre. Accommodation comprises of open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances. One Bedroom and Shower Room. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

NO DSS. NO SMOKING. NO PETS. EPC Rating tbc

DEPOSIT Â£760

£575,000

BEECHMERE RISE, ETCHINGHILL

This split level detached offers Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing and comprises of Entrance Hall, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom and Separate W.C., Landing, Lounge with Snug, Dining Room, Kitchen and Storage/Utility. Integral Garage and Off Road Parking. Large Garden to Rear with Open Views. Viewing is highly recommended to fully appreciate the size and layout of the property. EPC RATING - D

£249,950

CHESTER ROAD, RUGELEY

A well presented spacious four bedroomed detached family home located in a popular location. UPVC Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating. Through Hallway, Guest W.C., Breakfast Kitchen, Office/Study, Lounge and Dining Room. First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom with Ensuite, Three additional Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Driveway with Parking. Garden to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - C

£265,000

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HIGH STREET
COLTON

A well presented three bedroomed semi detached family home in a popular village location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Through Hallway, Guest W.C., Kitchen Diner, Lounge and Conservatory. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Detached Garage with Large Driveway. Gardens to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - D

£255,000

GREEN LANE, RUGELEY

A traditional good size three bedroomed detached house on a large plot is offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Kitchen and Lounge Diner. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway with Off Road Parking. Paved Fore Garden and Large Garden to Rear with Out Buildings. EPC Rating - D

£239,950

THE OLD POST OFFICE, LITTLE HAYWOOD

A unique opportunity to purchase this fine example of a Georgian property set in the heart of this popular village. Originally built as an ale-house and inn. Viewing is absolutely essential to fully appreciate the standard and size of accommodation on offer. Ideal for communal family living and an opportunity to work from home. Please call for further information.

£650,000

LEET CLOSE
HANDSACRE

A two bedroomed mid terraced property in a popular village location ideal for first time buyer or investment. Electric Storage Heaters and UPVC Double Glazing. Through Hallway, Kitchen and Lounge. First floor landing, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Shared Driveway with Parking and Rear Garden. EPC Rating - C

£135,000

HEDNESFORD ROAD
RUGELEY

●●●NEW PRICE●●●A modern ground floor apartment in a purpose built development located within walking distance to local amenities. Ideally located for local bus routes and offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. En-suite to Master Bedroom. Security Entrance System. Allocated Parking. EPC RATING - C

£120,000

LANGLEY WAY
HAWKSYARD

A well presented two bedroomed first floor apartment on the popular Hawksyard Estate the property offers modern open plan living having Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double glazing. The accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, Open Plan Lounge/Dining Room/Kitchen, Two good sized Bedrooms and Bathroom. Having one allocated and one visitor parking space and Open views to the rear. EPC Rating C.

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THE LINDENS
RUGELEY

●●●NEW PRICE●●●A well presented modern four bedroomed semi detached three storey house in a popular location and is offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazing. Entrance Hallway, Kitchen Diner, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Second Floor Landing with Master Bedroom and en-suite shower room. Garage with Off Road Parking. Gardens to front and rear.

£219,000

CHURCH VIEW
BRERETON

A well presented mid-terraced traditional cottage ideal for a first time buyer or an Investor. Benefiting from Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazing. The accommodation comprises of Lounge and Kitchen. First Floor Landing, Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Delightful Cottage Garden to rear. EPC Rating - D

£105,000

ROCKHOUSE DRIVE
GREAT HAYWOOD

A three bedroomed semi detached bungalow in a popular sought after village location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Porch, Hall, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen and Utility. Three Bedrooms and a Shower Room. Driveway with Off Road Parking. Gardens to Front and Rear. EPC Rating - D

£190,000

BURNTHILL LANE, CANNOCK

Well-presented One Bedroom Maisonette with Garage and Parking. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall with stairs leading to first floor Lounge, Modern fitted Kitchen with some appliances, Double Bedroom and Shower room. Garage and Driveway. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

£139,995

MOSS GREEN
RUGELEY

Spacious, extended semi-detached property. Comprising of Entrance Hall, Kitchen, Lounge, Dining room, Annexe room/Family room, ground floor Wet Room. Three bedrooms and Bathroom. Garage. Garden to rear with canal views. Driveway parking.

VIEWING RECOMMENDED.

£115,000

EATON DRIVE
RUGELEY

A three bedroomed link detached family home in a popular and sought after location is offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, New Fitted Kitchen and Separate Utility/Storage Room. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garage with Off Road Parking and Garden to Rear. EPC Rating - D

£169,995

ARMITAGE ROAD
RUGELEY

Semi detached FURNISHED cottage benefiting from Gas Central Heating. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Porch, Lounge, Kitchen with some appliances. One Double Bedroom and Bathroom. Gardens to rear overlooking canal. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. No SMOKERS. NO PETS. DEPOSIT £588

£495 pcm

BYRON PLACE
RUGELEY

Spacious terraced property benefiting from Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, Spacious Lounge, Kitchen with some appliances. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Off road parking at rear. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating D DEPOSIT £760

£550 pcm

KINGFISHER DRIVE
COLWICH

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C residential Classic Collection have great pleasure in offering this beautifully presented five bedroomed Executive Detached family home in a sought after village location. For more information and to book a viewing please contact our Sales Team.

£450,000

WESTFIELDS ROAD
ARMITAGE

A well presented three bedroomed semi detached property in a sought after location. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. The accommodation comprises of a Reception Hall, Lounge and Kitchen Diner. First Floor Landing, Three Bedrooms and a Bathroom. Drive with Off Road Parking and Garden to Rear. EPC Rating - E

£195,000

CHESTNUT CLOSE
HANDSACRE

Modern detached property in popular location benefiting from Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest WC, Lounge, Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen with some appliances, Family Room and Conservatory. Three Bedrooms, Master having En-suite Shower Room, Family Shower Room. Gardens to front and rear. Driveway Parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC rating D. DEPOSIT £1315

£950 pcm

LONGACRES
CANNOCK

Well-presented One Bedroom Maisonette with Garage and Parking. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall with stairs leading to first floor Lounge, Modern fitted Kitchen with some appliances, Double Bedroom and Shower room. Garage and Driveway. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £623

£450 pcm

ANEURIN BEVAN PLACE
RUGELEY

Mid terraced property with detached garage to rear. Accommodation comprises Through Hallyway, spacious Lounge, re-fitted Kitchen, Separate re-fitted WC and Bathroom, Three good sized bedrooms. Benefitting from Gas Central Heating and additional parking to rear. Gardens. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. PETS CONSIDERED. DEPOSIT £760

£550 pcm

HEATHER CLOSE
RUGELEY

Spacious property in quiet location. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, Open Plan Lounge/ Dining Room/Kitchen with some appliances, ground floor Family Room/Bedroom Three. Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Driveway parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKING. NO PETS. EPC rating D. DEPOSIT £865

£625 pcm

BURNTHILL LANE
RUGELEY

A good size four bedroomed detached family home in a popular and sought after location is being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility and Conservatory. First Floor Landing, Master with Ensuite, Three further Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Integral Garage with Parking. Garden to Rear. EPC Rating - D

£240,000

EATON DRIVE
RUGELEY

A four bedroomed detached family home in a popular location. Full details to follow. For more information or to book a viewing please contact our Sales Team.

£309,995

HAWTHORNE LODGE, PEAKES ROAD, ETCHINGHILL

This individually designed four bedroomed detached family home with the total floor area of 1934 sq ft situated on a private road in the popular area of Etchinghill is being offered For Sale with NO UPWARD CHAIN. This beautifully presented spacious modern accommodation must be viewed to be fully appreciated. For full information please contact our Sales Team.

£389,995

ARCH STREET
RUGELEY

Well presented semi detached property comprising of through Hallway, Guest WC, Kitchen with some appliances, spacious Lounge. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Driveway parking. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO PETS. NO SMOKERS. EPC Rating C DEPOSIT £935

£320 pcm

CHAPEL MEWS
BLACKFORDS, CANNOCK

Well presented first floor flat comprising of Entrance Hall, open plan Lounge/Kitchen, One spacious double Bedroom and Shower Room. Electric Heating and Double Glazing. A number of energy saving improvements have been made to the property. Off Road Parking. Communal area at rear.NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. NO DSS. DEPOSIT £623

£450 pcm

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RUGELEY ROAD
ARMITAGE

This two bedroomed mobile home with views over the open countryside is being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. UPVC Double Glazed and Gas Central Heating. Hallway, Kitchen, Lounge, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Parking to Front and Garden to Rear. EPC Rating - TBC

£82,500

CROSSLEY STONE
RUGELEY

A two bedroomed second floor flat within the Town Centre and local amenities and is offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazed. Communal Entrance, Hallway, Kitchen, Lounge/Diner, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Off Road Parking. EPC Rating - D

£75,000

SEABROOK ROAD
BRERETON

A well presented and extended semi-detached bungalow in a popular and sought after location and being within walking distance to the local amenities. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazed. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Large Driveway with Carport and good sized Garden to Rear. EPC RATING - D

£179,950

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Park Street, Bridgetown
Offers Over £95,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this two bedroom mid terrace property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of lounge, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms and a bathroom. Externally to the rear the property has a part graveled and part paved entertaining patio area, side access to the front through neighbouring side gate. Energy rating: E.

Herondale, Hednesford
£99,950

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this two bedroom flat located in Hednesford. The property briefly comprises of lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. Energy rating: C.

Wolverhampton Road, Cannock
£129,950

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock, close to the town centre. The property briefly comprises of lounge, dining room, kitchen, cloakroom, downstairs bathroom, three bedrooms and rear garden. Energy rating: D.

Church Street, Cannock
Offers Over £130,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached house located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of family lounge, modern fitted kitchen with dining area, modern fitted bathroom with wash hand basin, bath and WC and on the first floor three double bedrooms. Externally to the front there is a paved entrance courtyard, double gated shared access to the rear which is block paved. To the rear there is a driveway providing parking for multiple vehicles and enclosed private garden with a paved entertaining patio area and separate lawn area. Energy rating: E.

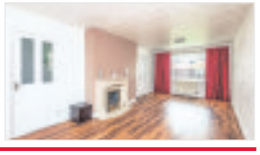
Mosswood Street, Cannock
£140,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, pantry cupboard, downstairs bathroom, boiler/utility room, three bedrooms and externally to the front a driveway providing off road parking, shared access to the side and to the rear there are entertaining patio areas and a separate lawn. Energy rating: E.

Fairoaks Drive, Great Wyrley
£142,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached house located in Great Wyrley. The property briefly comprises of entrance porch, hall, lounge / diner, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, driveway providing off road parking and garage. Energy rating: awaited.

Whitby Way, Cannock
£143,000



Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, modern fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, WC, bathroom and externally outbuildings for storage, block paved driveway to the front providing parking for multiple vehicles and to the rear a entertaining patio area with separate lawn. Energy rating: D.

Keats Avenue, Cannock
£154,950

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this two bedroom semi-detahced property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, kitchen / breakfast area, rear hall, work room / storage, inner hall, downstairs bathroom, family room, two bedrooms, loft storage area and garage. Energy rating: awaited.

Lakeside Boulevard, Cannock
£160,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom mid-terraced house located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, downstairs wc, lounge, modern fitted kitchen/ diner, three bedrooms all of a good size, modern fitted bathroom and to the rear there is a garden, separate garage and a parking space. Energy rating: B.

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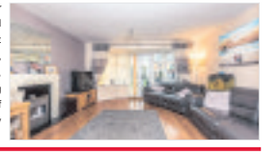
Grange Crescent, Penkridge
£167,000

A well proportioned semi detached family home located within the popular market town of Penkridge. The accommodation in brief comprises entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen/diner, utility room. On the first floor there are three bedrooms and a bathroom. The property benefits from a detached garage and a block paved driveway for multiple cars, as well as a landscaped front garden and a pleasant rear garden. Energy Rating:- awaited

Cannock Road, Cannock
£170,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached property in Cannock. The property comprises of entrance porch, lounge, kitchen, downstairs WC, three bedrooms, bathroom, driveway providing off road parking, and garage. Energy rating: E.

Comfrey Close, Huntington
£220,000



Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this four bedroom semi-detached house located in Huntington near to schools, shops and transport links. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, downstairs wc, modern fitted kitchen, family lounge, four bedrooms all of a good size and the master having en-suite, modern fitted bathroom, driveway providing off road parking as well as an additional graveled driveway for further parking and garage. Energy rating: C

Walsall Road, Cannock
£225,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached property located in Cannock. The property briefly comprises of entrance porch way, lounge, reception room 2, conservatory, kitchen, downstairs WC, three bedrooms, bathroom, loft room, drive through garage, workshop, further garage, driveway providing off road parking for multiple vehicles and rear garden. The property has period solid wood doors fitted throughout. Energy rating: awaited.

Francis Close, Penkridge
£245,000

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property located in Penkridge. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, dining room, lounge, kitchen / diner, downstairs shower room, utility room, three bedrooms, bathroom, loft room with en-suite and driveway providing off road parking. Energy rating: awaited.

Marigold Close, Heath Hayes
£260,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this 4 bedroom semi-detached property located in Heath Hayes. The property comprises of entrance hall, downstairs WC, lounge, dining room, kitchen, utility room, four bedrooms - master having en-suite, bathroom and garage. Energy rating: awaited.

Francis Green Lane, Penkridge
£349,950

This is your chance to purchase a detached property in an oustanding position in Penkridge. The property stands in one of the most desirable roads and is quite deceptive as from the front you wouldn't believe that the property briefly comprises of a grand entrance hall, lounge, extended dining room, kitchen/diner, study, large utility room, downstairs WC and garage whilst upstairs you have three double bedrooms, master with en-suite shower room, family bathroom, large walk in cupboard as well as a further airing cupboard. Externally you have a pleasant, low maintenance rear garden which is currently all patio and gravel beds however the potential for a large lawn area is there. To the front you have a large block paved driveway and a front garden. Energy rating: E.

Littleworth Hill, Hednesford
£390,000

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this four bedroom detached property located in Hednesford. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, dining area, cloakroom / study, kitchen, utility room, downstairs WC, four bedrooms - master bedroom having en-suite and walk in wardrobe, bathroom and an annex with lounge / kitchen diner, kitchen, wet room, two bedrooms and storage areas. Energy rating: D.

New Penkridge Road, Shoal Hill
£995,000

This property houses some of the highest quality features such as integrated home surround sound system, central vacuum system in most rooms, extensive programmable lighting, telephone intercom system and under floor heating throughout the whole house. Having a total of six bedrooms all of which have en-suites, the property briefly comprises of a porch, entrance hall, downstairs WC, lounge, dining room, conservatory, study, modern fitted kitchen, utility room, downstairs bedroom complete with en-suite, double garage. On the first floor you have four bedrooms, all four have en-suites then on the second floor you have a further two bedrooms, one of which has an en-suite. The property briefly comprises of entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen/ dining living room, pantry cupboard, utility room, rear entrance porch, downstairs wet room, downstairs W.C, swimming pool, five bedrooms - all having en-suites with the master bedroom having its own dressing room area, games room, gym room, wine cellar, in and out driveway providing off road parking for multiple vehicles and double garage, entertaining patio area to the rear with separate lawn area and various trees and shrubs amongst. Energy rating: C.

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WATLING STREET, BROWNHILLS

- NO DEPOSIT OPTION
- One Bed Flat
- Lounge/Kitchen
- Electric Heating
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating F
- NO DSS / PETS

£350 pcm

BELT ROAD, HEDNESFORD

- 2 Bed End Terrace
- Lounge/Kitchen
- GCH/DG
- Garden
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating C
- No DSS/Pets

£550 pcm

OLD PENKRIDGE MEWS, CANNOCK

- Town Centre
- Fully Refurbished
- 2 Bed End Terraced Lounge, Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Allocated Parking
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£575 pcm

BARLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

- 2 Bed End Terrace
- Lounge/Kitchen
- GCH/DG
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating D
- No DSS/Pets

£595 pcm

SILVER FIR CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

- 2 Bed Semi
- Lounge/Kitchen
- GCH/DG
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS/Pets

£595 pcm

BOND WAY, HEDNESFORD

- 2 Bed Semi Detached
- Lounge
- Kitchen-Diner
- GCH/DG
- Gardens
- Energy Rating C
- No DSS/Pets

£595 pcm

MEADOW HILL DRIVE, CANNOCK

- Three Bed Semi
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Utility Room
- Bathroom, GCH, DG
- Gardens, Parking
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£625 pcm

BOND WAY, HEDNESFORD

- Two Bed Semi
- Open Plan Living
- Lounge/Kitchen/Diner
- Bathroom, GCH, DG
- Gardens, Driveway
- Large Store Room
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£650 pcm

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK

- COMMERCIAL
- Town Centre
- 1st Floor Suite
- Five Offices
- Kitchen Facilities
- Toilet Facilities
- Gas Central Heating

£700 pcm

LANGHOLM DRIVE, HEATH HAYES

- Three Bed Link
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Shower Room
- GCH, DG
- Gardens, Garage
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS OR PETS

£725 pcm

ROBINS CROFT, HEATH HAYES

- An Executive Double Fronted Detached Family Residence Situated a Good Sized Plot
- Imposing Reception Hallway, Guest WC
- Study, Lounge, Delightful Dining Room
- Spacious Breakfast Kitchen
- Four Good Sized Bedrooms, Two En-Suite Shower Rooms

£389,950

OLD HEDNESFORD ROAD, CANNOCK

- A Fully Refurbished Detached Family Residence Situated on a Good Sized Corner Plot.
- Reception Hall, Guest WC
- Lounge, Impressive Kitchen/ Diner, Utility
- Spacious Master Bedroom with Imposing En-Suite
- Four Further Bedrooms, Superb Family Bathroom
- Integral Garage, Detached Garage at Rear, Driveway
- Established Front, Side & Rear Gardens

£365,000

SWEETBRIAR WAY, WIMBLEBURY

- A Beautifully Presented Detached House
- Sought After Residential Location
- Reception Hallway/Guest WC
- Re-Fitted Kitchen, Lounge & Dining Room
- Four Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Ensuite
- Family Bathroom
- Delightful Rear Garden
- Garage & Driveway- Ample

£254,995

KNIGHTON ROAD, WIMBLEBURY

- A Well Presented Link Detached House
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Extended Kitchen, Four Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted Family Bathroom
- Garage & Driveway
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Open Aspect to Side & Rear
- No Upward Chain

£225,000

ST GEORGE DRIVE, RAWNSLEY

- A Delightful Well Presented Detached Family Home
- Entrance Porch/Hallway
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen & Utility & Guest WC
- Master Bedroom with Ensuite
- Three Further Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom

£220,000

HILLSIDE CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

- Spacious Semi Detached
- Lounge & Conservatory
- Kitchen & Family Room
- Ground Floor Bedroom/ Ensuite Shower
- Four Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Master with Dressing Room/Study
- Driveway & Rear Garden

£199,995

CHURCH ROAD, NORTON CANES

- Well Presented Detached Family Home
- Family Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Well Stocked Rear Garden With Open Views
- Driveway & Garage

OIRO £199,950

PYE GREEN ROAD, CANNOCK

- Extended and Much Improved Bungalow
- Reception Hall & Family Lounge
- Re-Fitted Kitchen, Utility Area
- Impressive Conservatory
- Two Double Bedrooms, Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Driveway & Gardens

£169,995

HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK

- A deceptively spacious well presented detached house
- Porch, entrance hall, extended kitchen/ diner
- Utility Room, Guest WC
- Family Lounge, Generous Conservatory
- Three bedrooms, shower room
- Delightful rear gardens, driveway

Offers in Excess of £180,000

ELIZABETHAN WAY, RUGELEY

- A Modern Three Storey End Terraced House
- Guest WC, Kitchen
- Spacious Lounge, Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom, Shower Room
- Garage & Driveway
- Front & Rear Gardens
- No Chain

£165,000

LOWER BIRCHES WAY, RUGELEY

- A Modern Well Presented End Terraced House
- GCH & D/G, Entrance Hall
- Guest WC, Kitchen
- Lounge, Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom, Rear Garden
- Allocated Parking, NO CHAIN.

£147,500

PEBBLE MILL COURT, CANNOCK

- Well Presented Ground Floor Flat
- Spacious Lounge
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted Shower Room
- Parking & Garage
- Communal Gardens
- Ideal Location

£145,000

HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK

- A Spacious Semi Det House
- Entrance Hall & Guest WC
- Modern Kitchen
- Lounge-Diner
- Conservatory
- Two/Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Gardens & Driveway

£135,000 No Chain

SPRINGFIELD ROAD, RUGELEY

- A modern well presented end town house
- Entrance hall, guest WC
- Spacious lounge, kitchen
- Three Bedrooms, bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Garage & parking
- NO CHAIN

£130,000

FOXES RAKE, CANNOCK

- A well presented semi detached house
- GCH & DG
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Driveway

£130,000

HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK

- A Spacious Semi Detached House
- Two Reception Rooms
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Parking at Rear
- Gardens

£125,000 No Chain

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK

- A Well Presented Semi Det House
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Utility Area & Guest WC
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Delightful Rear Garden
- Town Centre Location

£119,950 No Chain

MEADOWBROOK CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

- A modern well presented ground floor apartment
- GCH & D/G
- Open plan lounge & Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- En-suite & bathroom
- Allocated parking & communal gardens
- NO CHAIN

£109,950

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FREE VALUATIONS

NO CHAIN

Hatherton Road, Cannock

- Detached Four Bedrooms
- Delightful Family Home
- Stunning Open Plan Kitchen
- Fully Refurbished To High Spec
- Versatile Living Space
- Garage & Extensive Gardens
- No Chain Involved

£595,000

NEW

Old Penkridge Road, Cannock

- Detached Family Home
- Four Bedrooms & Study
- Two Bathrooms
- Open Plan Kitchen / Dining Room
- Living Room & Family Room
- No Upward Chain
- Utility / WC

£475,000

NEW BUILD

Eccleshall Road, Stafford

- Detached New Build Executive Home
- Four Bedrooms
- Finished To High Spec
- Stylish En-suite Shower Room
- Open Plan Kitchen / Dining Room
- Immaculately Finished
- Brand New

Offers Over £320,000

NEW PRICE

Chenet Way, Cannock

- Immaculate Executive Home
- Stunning Kitchen
- Landscaped Gardens
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Shower Room & Ensuite Shower
- Double Garage
- Gas Central Heating System
- Utility & Guest WC

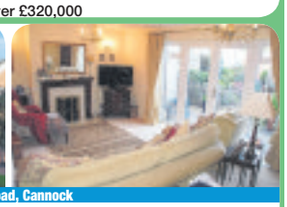
£305,000

NO CHAIN

Meriden Close, Cannock

- Detached Bungalow
- 3 Bedrooms
- Very Spacious
- 3 Reception Rooms
- Cul De Sac Location
- Garage
- No Upward Chain
- EPC - TBC

£267,500



Hatton Road, Cannock

- Detached Family Home
- Four Good Size Bedrooms
- Open Fields To The Front
- Two Reception Rooms
- Downstairs WC
- Very Popular Location
- Carport & Garage

£249,950

Keys Park Road, Wimblebury

- Detached Family Home
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom & Ensuite
- Modern Kitchen & Utility
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Conservatory & Guest WC
- Large Block Paved Drive

£235,000

NEW PRICE

Hopton Meadow, Heath Hayes

- Delightful Detached Home
- Stunning Dining Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms, Corner Plot
- Detached Outbuilding
- NO UPWARD CHAIN
- Drive, Landscaped Gardens
- EPC - D

Offers Over £190,000

NEW

Pebblemill Close, Cannock

- Four Bedroom Detached Gas Central Heating System
- Close To Cannock Town
- No Upward Chain
- Fitted Kitchen & Dining Area
- Spacious Living Room
- Gas Central Heating System

£200,000

NO CHAIN

Ullswater Place, Cannock

- Detached Home
- Five Bedrooms
- In Need Of Modernisation
- Spacious
- Large Rear Garden
- Close To Cannock Town

£210,000

NEW

Kenmore Avenue, Hednesford

- Corner Plot In Small Cul-de-Sac
- Three Good Size Bedrooms
- Could Be Split into 4 Bed
- Spacious Lounge / Dining Room
- Fitted Kitchen & Utility
- En-suite Shower Room & Bathroom

£195,000

New Plant Lane, Chase Terrace

- Modern Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Immaculate Condition
- Lounge/Diner
- Fully Fitted Kitchen
- Garage

£189,950

NEW

Hednesford Road, Norton Canes

- Detached Three Bedroom House
- Views To The Front Over Field
- No Upward Chain
- Lounge and Dining Room
- Large Block Paved Driveway
- Gas Central Heating System

£179,950

Partridge Close, Heath Hayes

- Town House
- Four Bedrooms
- Two Ensuites
- Family Bathroom
- Lounge Diner
- Breakfast Kitchen

£175,000

NO CHAIN

Huntington Terrace Road, Chadsmoor

- Detached Three Bedroom
- Lounge/Diner & Guest WC
- Large Rear Garden
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- No Chain Involved
- Gas Central Heating

£165,000

NO CHAIN

Nightingale Close, Huntington

- Modern Three Bedroom Semi
- Lounge & Kitchen Diner
- No Upward Chain
- South Facing Rear Garden
- Driveway to front & Side
- Energy Efficent Solar Panels

£155,000

Butts Way, Norton Canes

- Semi Detached
- Three Bedroom
- Lounge/Diner
- Conservatory
- Refitted Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating

£135,000

Blake Close, Cannock

- Modern Style Town House EPC - D
- Sought After Location
- Two Bedrooms
- Ideal Investment
- Gardens & Parking
- No Chain

£115,000

NO CHAIN

Newhall Street, Cannock

- Semi Detached
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom & Ensuite
- Two Reception Rooms
- Gas Central Heating
- Close to Town

£110,000

Station Road, Hednesford

- Charming Traditional Mid Terrace
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Off Road Parking at Rear
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Close To Train Station

£110,000

Barnard Way, Cannock

- Ground Floor Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- Store Room
- Ideal Buy To Let
- Tenant in, Paying £500

£87,500

TO LET

Blackfords Court, Cannock

- Second floor apartment
- Spacious lounge
- Open plan kitchen/lounge
- Two bedrooms
- Off road parking
- Available now.

£495pcm Sorry no dss & no pets

TO LET

Lomax Road, Hednesford

- Ground floor apartment
- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Modern Style bathroom
- Double glazing & gas central heating
- Available now.

£495pcm Sorry no dss & no pets

TO LET

Sandpiper Close, Hednesford

- Semi detached home
- Lounge with feature fireplace
- Kitchen with dining area
- Two bedrooms
- Electric heating
- Available now.

£510pcm Sorry no dss & no pets

TO LET

Stephenson Way, Hednesford

- Ground floor apartment
- Spacious lounge
- Kitchen with appliances
- Two bedrooms
- Allocated parking
- Gas central heating

£540pcm Sorry no dss & no pets

TO LET

Chase Suites

- Modern part furnished apartment
- Spacious living room
- Open plan kitchen with some appliances
- Double bedroom Shower room
- Double glazing
- Electricity and water included

£595pcm Sorry no dss & no pets

TO LET

Evergreen Heights, Hednesford

- Modern semi detached house
- Spacious lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Driveway & garage
- Available now

£695pcm Sorry no dss & no pets

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Wharf Road, Rugeley £139,995

● JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this four bedroom bungalow, being offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Having Entrance Porch, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility, Lounge to Inner Hallway leading to Four Bedrooms and Bathroom. Detached Garage with parking and good sized Gardens with open aspect to front

Antler Drive, Etching Hill £235,000

● JR Properties are pleased to market this well presented three bedroom detached family home, in a sought after location. Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms, Bathroom and Separate W.C. Driveway to Garage and Gardens to front and rear

Watkiss Drive, Rugeley £147,950

● JR Properties are pleased to market this three bedroom semi detached home, situated in a cul de sac location,close to local amenities.Having Porch, Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway for several vehicles to Carport and Garden to rear

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Lower Birches Way, Rugeley £167,500

● JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this three bedroom semi detached property, situated on a sought after development. Accommodation having Hallway, Guest w.c, Fitted Kitchen, Lounge and Conservatory. Landing to Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to Garage and Gardens to front and rear

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Hawkesmore Drive, Little Haywood £265,000

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Bower Lane, Rugeley £164,950

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Main Road, Brereton — £242,950

● JR Properties are pleased to offer for sale this well presented two bedroom detached bungalow, located on a private drive. NO UPWARD CHAIN. Having Hallway, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility Room, Inner Hall to Two Bedrooms and Shower Room. Good driveway to Detached Garage and Garden to rear

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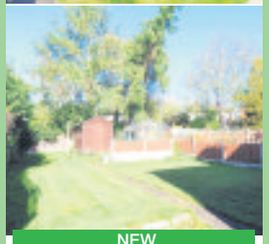

NEW

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NO CHAIN

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NO ONWARD CHAIN

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NO ONWARD CHAIN

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£145000

NEW

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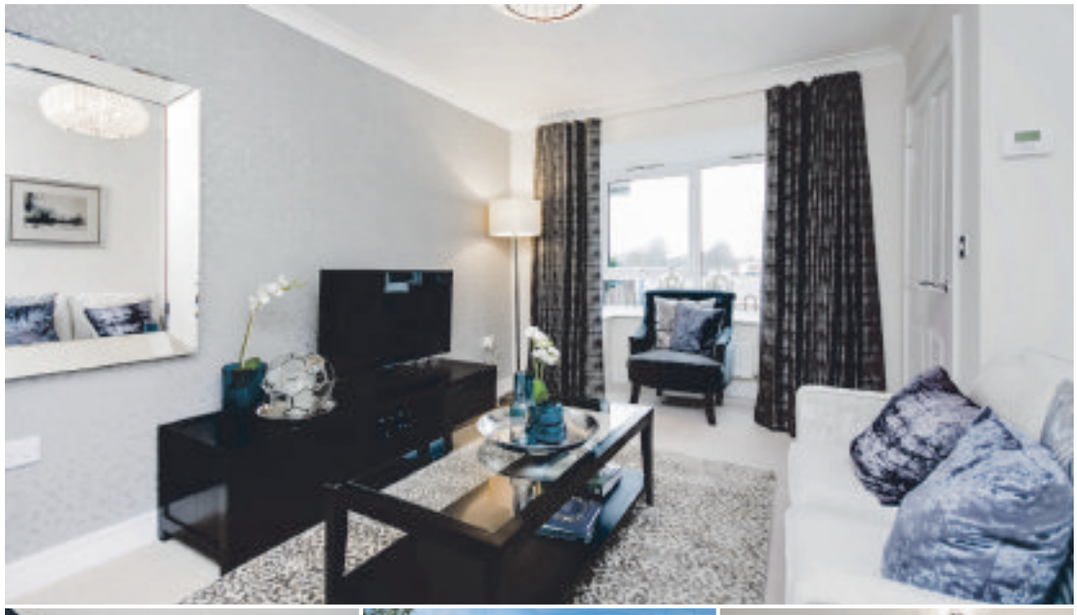

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In a desirable location being close to all local amenities, shops and schools, it is ideally located within walking distance of Cannock town centre and railway station. The property comprises an entrance porch, through hallway, lounge diner, breakfast kitchen, conservatory, utility room, guest WC, five bedrooms (four double), a family bathroom and integral garage. Outside, there is a private driveway providing ample off-road parking and generous gardens.

Internal inspection is essential, said a spokesman for the selling agents.

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Detached home in cul-de-sac location

HEDNESFORD
£250,000

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- Dining Room,
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- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom.

£210,000

NEW

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- Shower Room
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- Family Bedroom
- Family Bathroom.

OFFERS OVER £300,000

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- Gardens,
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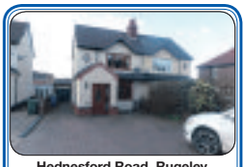

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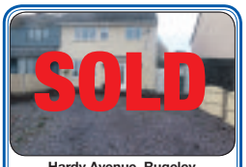

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- Bathroom
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- Ideal first time buy
- Awaiting EPC rating

£109,950

CANNOCK
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- Detached two bedroom bungalow
- Breakfast kitchen
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- Garage with driveway
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- Viewing Essential

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- Kitchen
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- Bathroom
- Allocated parking
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- Lounge, kitchen
- Family bathroom
- Two bedrooms
- Garden to rear
- Off road parking
- Ideal first time buy
- EPC rating C

£134,995

HEDNESFORD
CHURCHHILL

- A three bedroom bungalow
- Gas central heating and double glazing
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- Shower room
- Kitchen
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- Driveway
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Semi Detached | GCH & DG
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Kitchen | Parking
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Bathroom

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Kitchen
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Lounge | Double Glazing
Kitchen | Parking
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Lounge | Double Glazing
Kitchen | Parking
2 Bedrooms | EPC Rating C
Bathroom

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Unfurnished | Bathroom
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Kitchen | Garden
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Shower Room

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Bungalow | GCH & DG
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HEATH HAYES
DEAVALL WAY

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Kitchen | Parking
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Lounge | Rear Garden
Dining Room | EPC Rating D
Kitchen
2 Bedrooms

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CANNOCK
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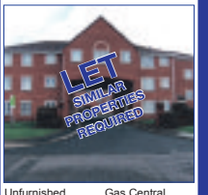

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Kitchen | Parking
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Peugeot Expert wins best newcomer in van awards

The Expert is Peugeot's new medium panel van contender and it's fresh, from the nuts and bolts upwards

The new Peugeot Expert has won yet another award, having been honoured as 'Best Newcomer' in the 2017 Trade Van Driver magazine awards.

The award was presented at the CV Show in Birmingham, where the latest additions to the new Expert range, the Expert Long and Expert Crew van were seen for the first time.

This award is the fourth presented to the new Expert, following the 2017 'Light Commercial of the Year' and 2017 'Medium Van of the Year' awards from What Van? magazine in December and the 'Small Panel Van of the Year' award at the VansZ2Z Awards in March.

The Trade Van Driver judges said: "The Expert is Peugeot's new medium panel van contender and it's fresh, from the nuts and bolts upwards.

"With stylish exterior looks, a range of new safety features and best-in-class fuel economy figures, it's a worthy winner of this title."

Commenting on the award, Louise Neilson, head of business sales at Peugeot, said: "Yet another award for the new Expert came as we displayed the full Expert range at the 2017 CV Show, including the latest additions to the range; the Expert Long and Expert Crew van.

"The new models provide an extended load area and give many trade buyers the flexibility of carrying both people and a load. I am delighted to receive the 'Best Newcomer' award from Trade Van Driver at a show where visitors can see the new Expert range and a wide range of Peugeot light commercial vehicles for themselves."

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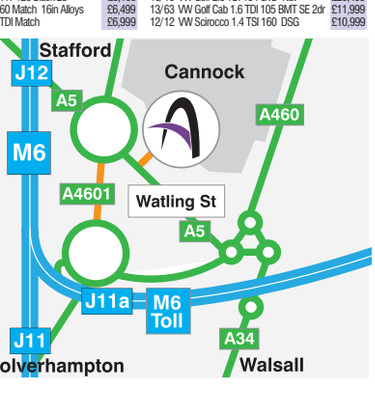

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All-electric for Nissan Leaf taking on 10,000-mile rally

A specially modified Nissan Leaf is set to become the first all-electric car to enter the gruelling Mongol Rally when it undertakes the 10,000-mile journey this summer.

Called the Leaf AT-EV, the car has a range of up to 155 miles – but has been upgraded with a range of modifications to better equip it against the tough roads it will face on the route from the UK to Mongolia. The car was created by 'electric vehicle advocate' Plug In Adventures.

It has been fitted with narrow wheels and tyres, while its wishbones have been protected with welded metal plates.

A large sump guard adds greater protection to the car – though of course there is no oil reservoir to protect.

A high-wattage LED light bar has also been added to the car's roof rack, providing excellent visibility even in difficult conditions.

Gareth Dunsmore, director of electric vehicles for Nissan Europe, said: "Since we launched the Leaf in 2010, our customers have collectively driven over three billion kilometres, saving more than 500 million kilograms of CO_2 emissions in the process.

"Our 'Electrify the World' initiative connects stories from these people who are living an electric lifestyle.

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"Few Nissan Leaf owners have been more vocal or accomplished as Plug In Adventures at demonstrating that electric vehicles can do so much more than the daily commute. We applaud this ambitious driving challenge and wish them a safe and enjoyable journey."

The rally is a drive for charity that takes in mountains, deserts and steppes, it is one of a number of events organised by The Adventurists, a group who say they are dedicated to making the world less boring and have raised £5million for charity to date.

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Baleno perfect choice for middle-sized family car

Standard equipment across the range is comprehensive

By James Parker

Suzuki is well known globally for its expertise in small cars and the new Baleno hatchback is its latest example. Since launching its first car in 1955, the Suzulight, Suzuki has produced a vast range of significant models each tailored to the needs of its time.

A larger car than Swift at 3.99 metres long, Baleno offers a more rational choice for buyers looking for extra interior space and larger boot capacity but may not be looking to move up in size to a Vitara or S-Cross.

Baleno offers the best tandem distance in its class which is the measurement taken between the front and rear seats.

Standard equipment for all Baleno models in the range is comprehensive and the SZ-T model (Available with 1.0-litre Boosterjet) includes six airbags, 16-inch alloy wheels, HID headlights, air conditioning, satellite navigation, DAB Radio with USB and Bluetooth connectivity, rear privacy glass, cruise control with speed limiter and front electric windows. Prices start at £12,999.

SZ5 (Boosterjet and SHVS model) adds automatic climate control, rear electric windows, 4.2 inch central colour trip display, LED rear lights, Adaptive Cruise Control and Radar Brake Support.

After the debut of Boosterjet in the Vitara S last year, the engine technology continues for the Baleno model

There's plenty of interior and boot space

with an all new 1.0-litre three cylinder version. Offering the same level of power and torque of a much larger capacity normally aspirated engine (1.8-litre), it delivers an effortless drive and genuine driving pleasure.

This unit has an output of 111PS and is also Direct Injection turbocharged (DITC). The new engine has very compact dimensions and offers 170Nm of torque available from 2,000rpm through to 3,5000rpm. The optional six speed automatic transmission equipped model offers 160Nm of torque and is available slightly earlier at just 1,500rpm through to 4,000rpm.

Boosterjet technology is developed by Suzuki and is characterised by improved fuel efficiency and driving pleasure made possible by using a small displacement, high torque turbocharger.

Historically, power and torque delivery from a turbo-charged engine would not have been available until much higher engine speeds, offering less flexibility to the driver.

The 1.0-litre engine offers strong benefits in performance too with 0-62mph acceleration time of 11.4 seconds with manual transmission and 11.0 seconds for the optional automatic model.

Suzuki first introduced its Dualjet technlogy in 2014, initially in the 1.2-litre Swift (K12C) and then more recently in the 1.0-litre Celerio (K10C). This technology is now utilised for the four cylinder 1.2-litre Baleno and includes the addition of SHVS (Smart Hybrid Vehicle by Suzuki).

The SHVS mild hybrid system is a compact and lightweight system that incorporates an Integrated Starter Generator (known as ISG) which acts as both a generator and starter motor, the ISG is belt driven and assists the engine during vehicle take off and acceleration and also generates electricity through regenerative braking.

The system also uses a compact lithium-ion battery placed under the front passenger seat to store energy and incorporates an idle stop function operated via the Integrated Start Generator. The SHVS system only uses its conventional engine starter motor when first started from cold, under all other conditions it uses the higher voltage ISG unit to allow smooth and quiet engine restarts.

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The Storm Grey paint is your only choice and a bit of a tell-tale

This Fiesta is hot, hot, hot and absolutely epic

By Anthony Martyn

Ford has taken one of the best cars it has ever made – the Fiesta ST – and improved it. More power, new suspension and improved steering have all been added to the already impressive mix, and let's make no bones about it, the result is absolutely epic.

You actually have to be a little bit of an anorak to differentiate the ST200 from the standard ST, because they actually look pretty much identical. Both get the same wide honeycomb grille and the same oversized roof spoiler, but there is one big giveaway.

That Storm Grey paint job is your only option when it comes to picking out your ST200, and as you can't have it on a normal ST, it's a bit of a tell-tale. It'll certainly draw the attention of any boy racer who knows his cars, although whether that's good or bad is a matter of opinion. When said boy racer does come snooping, though, he'll spot a few subtler features than the paintwork. Those black alloys, for example, are model-specific, as are the red brake calipers that lurk behind.

Inside, there's another big clue in the shape of the massive ST200 badge that sits proudly on the centre console, while the more knowledgeable observer might also spot the grey trim on the supportive Recaro seats.

Boot space is relatively competitive

Because the ST200 is just a Fiesta, it comes with all the practicality of a normal 1.0-litre EcoBoost. Room in the front is plentiful, but adults wouldn't want to sit in the back for too long, thanks to a spine-twisting lack of rear headroom. In truth, though, rear passenger space is an issue for most of the Fiesta's rivals, so it's unfair to criticise too much.

The Fiesta's boot space is relatively competitive, too, if not quite on a par with the class leaders. At 290 litres, it's far larger than that of the Polo GTI and just two litres smaller than the Seat Ibiza Cupra's luggage bay.

To drive, the Fiesta ST is brilliant, but the ST200 is on another planet. Let's deal with the speed first, because we can quantify that. As the name suggests, the ST200's 1.6-litre turbocharged engine produces 200 metric horsepower, or 197bhp, which represents an 18bhp increase compared with the basic ST. It's more complicated than that, though, because a transient overboost function means 212bhp is actually available for short periods.

The result is a 0-62mph time of 6.7 seconds and a top speed of 143mph. It may not sound like a big improvement on the ST – a car only two-tenths slower to 62mph and just 4mph behind at full chat – but the ST200 does feel much meatier thanks to increased torque and shortened gear ratios.

It sounds great, too, thanks to some glorious whooshes from the turbo wastegate when changing gear and a twin exhaust that produces a fruity bubble when the pedal's depressed even slightly.

More impressive, though, is the way this car goes around corners. The steering weight is almost perfect, the balance is sublime and body roll is controlled in just the right measure. You've got plenty of grip, too. If you want to enjoy any one of the world's greatest driving roads, this is the car to do it in.

It's still pretty capable if all you want to do is get to work, though. The ride is firm and informative without being too uncomfortable, and you've got all the usual practicalities of the Fiesta. Ford even claims it'll manage 46mpg if you're careful, but if you've bought an ST200, the chances are you won't be careful at all.

The ST200 is an incredible piece of kit, but it isn't cheap. It'll set you back £22,745, which is more than enough to buy you a reasonably well-equipped Focus. In fact, it's the same price as the basic Focus ST-1.

That means that for the same money you could have something that's two-tenths faster to 62mph, breaks the 150mph barrier and offers more practicality.

Alternatively, you could save about £3,000 and buy a really well-equipped Fiesta ST-3, which would be just as practical and only slightly slower than the 200.

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Thorough reworking of an important car for Kia

The latest version of the Picanto has gone for an athletic look

By Ian Donaldson

No matter that most buyers of small cars are from the more mature end of the age spectrum, the people who design them work hard for what they call a sporty and youthful feel.

And you'd bet they're right to do so: the oldies among us might not want to go everywhere at the speed of light but, hey, it's fine to look a bit cool as you potter around.

So no surprise that the latest Picanto from Kia has gone for the athletic look, even adding a version that pretends it has properly joined the hot hatch club. Except that it hasn't, to the certain benefit of insurance premiums and pay-per-month personal contract figures.

Precisely the same modest length and width as the outgoing car, the new third generation Kia is marginally taller, with a much bigger boot and a bit more space for passengers in the back thanks to adding distance between front and rear wheels.

More use of stronger steel – and applying a lot more glue to joints in the body – has added rigidity and helped the car lose a little weight while allowing the engineers to design a more responsive suspension and steering system in aid of that much vaunted sportiness.

Carrying over the old cars' 1.0 and 1.25 litre petrol engines with only modest changes to improve fuel consumption and lower tailpipe emissions means there are currently 66 or 83bhp to propel the cars, with a turbocharged 99bhp version of the 1.0 litre three-cylinder engine arriving late this year.

Top speeds for now are 100mph and 106mph with

Rigidity has been added to the new Picanto

the sprint to 62mph in 13.8 or 11.6 seconds. So neither current car is remotely sporty, although owners are more likely to care about their emissions, with 101and 106g/km respectively promising affordable road tax (£140) under the recently revised regime.

Prices start several hundred pounds higher than before, now from £9,450. That's for a '1' grade with the 1.0 litre engine. The range then continues, you may guess correctly, to a '2' grade 1.0 litre at £10,750 and the single version Kia thinks will be the biggest seller.

We then move to '3' grade and the sportier looking GT-Line or GT-Line S, whose 1.25 litre model currently tops the price table at £13,950. There is a £11,900 auto version of the 1.25 litre Picanto but losing the clutch brings 124g/km and £160 a year road tax in year one.

The smaller engined model recorded 64.2mpg in the official test, which turned into 46mpg over 80 miles of mixed road motoring on the Picanto's press launch in Italy, which also revealed a car that is quiet and smooth on decent roads and still well behaved on anything approaching a typical British blacktop. No ball of fire, though, and needs lots of encouragement via a slick changing 5-speed gearbox to make brisk progress. The larger engined version tried over less demanding roads actually did better on economy, showing 50mpg against the official 61.4mpg but felt scarcely any more lively. That might have been down to an engine that had covered a mere 170 miles since leaving its Korean production line a few weeks earlier, but the upcoming turbo version, even without any officially quoted figures as yet, looks the better bet to anyone who likes to press on.

The likely favourite '2' grade comes well equipped, with air conditioning, electric windows all round, heated door mirrors, Bluetooth, four speaker sound system and 14ins alloy wheels, which let the car ride notably better than the 16ins alloys and lower profile tyres of the GT-Line.

Move to a grade '3' car and you add auto emergency braking, 15ins alloys, big display screen with satellite navigation, DAB radio, six speakers, rear view camera and parking sensors. Added visual sportiness arrives on the GT-Line and GT-Line S with side skills and bolder bumpers front and rear, electric folding mirrors along with dual exhaust and leather look trim for the seats.

So, it's a thorough reworking of an important car for Kia, where it's the company's second biggest seller, if the likely 14,000 annual sales will be dwarfed by the bigger, much dearer Sportage that makes the company money men smile quietly when they think of the bottom line.

Even so, the new Sportage has comfortably earned its place in the current Kia hierarchy.

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Eye-catching SEAT range

Commercial feature

With a raft of stunning award-winning new models released over the past year or so SEAT's inexorable rise continues. The brand has reported record sales in the UK and the Spanish brand has rediscovered its reputation for eye-catching Latin style.

SEAT's Ateca looks a strong proposition in the family Crossover segment. It's well priced, sharply-styled and offers the sporty feel the sector seems to want. In fact, you wonder why it took the Spanish brand so long to bring us a car like this.

The Ateca delivers a line-up of petrol and diesel engines ranging in power from 115 to 190PS– expect three TSI petrol units (1.0, 1.4 and 2.0-litres in size) and three diesels (a 1.6, plus a couple of 2.0 TDI units). There's the choice of six-speed manual or optional dual-clutch automatic transmission, plus four-wheel drive is available on the diesels.

The Leon remains a strong contender in the family hatchback segment and it's been usefully improved in the facelifted guise. Buyers will appreciate the smarter safety and improved media connectivity and the 1.0-litre TSI petrol engine is a unit that many diesel buyers ought to have looked at first.

As for the wider Leon range, well whether there really is 'latin spirit in every one' is another question of course. In the case of sportier versions like the FR models, we'd be tempted to say yes. Overall, on a pure value-versus-quality basis, this Leon has long been the pick of the Volkswagen Group offerings in this sector.

And that also makes it one of the key segment benchmarks outside the Wolfsburg family of brands. Which in turn, makes it a very good car indeed.

Also achieving sales success for SEAT is the Mii citycar which offers the Spanish manufacturer a leading role in a sub-supermini segment. SEAT has added a thoughtful value proposition to a car that's undoubtedly spacious, frugal and clever.

Hi-tech

This fifth generation version of SEAT's Ibiza supermini offers small car buyers a smarter set of more eco-conscious hi-tech talents. It'll need them if it's to continue as a credible alternative in this tightly fought segment.

SEAT has also had a good look at the engine range. The entry-level 1.0-litre TSI petrol unit is a three-cylinder turbo powerplant which produces either 95 or 115PS. The four-cylinder 1.5 TSI with active cylinder management (ACT) develops 150PS while its cylinder deactivation under partial load leads to impressive fuel economy.

There's also a 1.6 TDI diesel offered with 80, 95 and 115PS outputs. The feebler engines get a five-speed manual gearbox, with a six-speeder used further up the range, where there's also the option of 7-speed DSG auto transmission.

Small car buyers are offered a lot in the Ibiza supermini

Whichever Ibiza bodystyle you choose – five-door hatch, ST estate or the sportier three-door SC, you should be delighted with your choice.

If you're a practically-minded family buyer on a supermini budget who really needs the kind of space you'd find on something much bigger, then you're target market for SEAT's attractive Toledo four-door saloon, now even more affordable and well equipped.

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3 Home & Services

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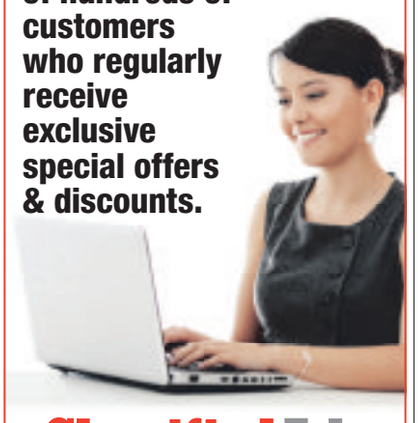

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5 Business & Farming

business opportunities

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6 Property

accommodation to let

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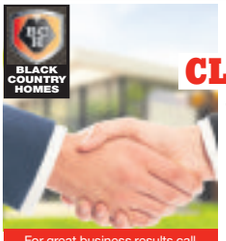

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7 Jobs

office & secretarial

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8 Motoring

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WANTED Clean Used Bikes MOT While-U-Wait No Re Test Fee
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cars over £1500

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only 8,147 miles, 58 reg.,
one owner from new,
fully serviced.
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Halesowen 07908 009210.

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good condition.
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9 Local Information

public & legal notices

LEGAL / PUBLIC NOTICES
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Disposal of Public Open Space Land off Norton Green Lane/ Butts Lane, Norton Canes

In accordance with Section 123 (2a) of the Local Government Act 1972 NOTICE IS GIVEN that Cannock Chase District Council is considering the disposal of open space off Norton Green Lane/ Butts Lane, Norton Canes

A plan identifying the area of land concerned is available for inspection at the Civic Centre offices, Beecroft Road, Cannock.

Any person wishing to comment on/object to the disposal should do so in writing addressed to:

Head of Economic Development
Civic Centre, Beecroft Road, Cannock WS11 1BG
or email propertyservices@cannockchasedc.gov.uk
to be received by Friday 19th May 2017
www.cannockchasedc.gov.uk

Burntwood Town Council

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THURSDAY 18 MAY 2017 AT 7.00 P.M.

Burntwood Town Council
Tel: 01543 677166, Email: info@burntwood-tc.gov.uk

STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED)
ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991
A51 LEA HALL WAY, RUGELEY
DIVERSION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staffordshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit any vehicle from proceeding in that length of A51 Lea Hall Way in Rugeley from its junction with Wheelhouse Road for a distance of 700 metres in a north westerly direction unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the works.

The preferred alternative route for traffic will be available via A51; Lea Hall Way, A51 Rugeley Eastern Bypass, A460 Wolseley Bridge Road, A460 Wolseley Road, A460 Western Springs Road, A460 Horse Fair, A460 Brereton Road, A460 Main Road (Brereton), A460 Brereton Hill, A51 Lea Hall Way and vice versa.

The Order will come into operation on 22 May 2017, and the said works will commence on or as near as practicable to that date and will take place as follows:

Closure 1 = from 22 to 24 May 2017, 2 days duration max, within this period, 24 hrs use.

Closure 2 = from 3 to 14 July 2017, 8 days max duration within this period, 24 hrs use.

It is anticipated that the works will be completed by 14 July 2017.

The Order will remain in force for a period of 18 months or until the carriageway resurfacing works, which it is proposed to carry out on or near the road, have been completed, whichever is the earlier.

John Tradewell, Director for Strategy, Governance and Change, 2 Staffordshire Place, Tipping Street, Stafford. ST16 2DH

Ref: S32729 & S32731 Enquiries: Customer Contact Centre; Tel: 0300 111 8000, http://roadworks.org

Date: 4 May 2017

Disposal of Public Open Space Land off Hardie Avenue/ Ashleigh Road Rugeley

Cannock Chase Council

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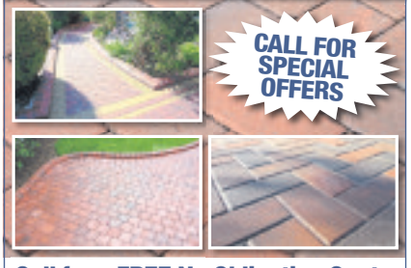

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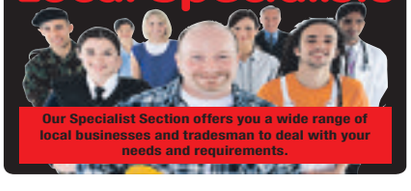

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Speed merchants set an impressive pace

ROAD racer Neil Lloyd and the Black Country Double Two Racing endurance team clocked up some impressive results in their latest outings.

Wednesbury's Lloyd had taken the bold step of racing his Honda RVF400 on the UK's country lanes this year and kick-started his new campaign at Oliver's Mount in Scarborough.

The 46-year-old, who is also competing on the circuits this year, began his debut road race with a few newcomer sighting laps on a wet Friday afternoon. The first lightweight race went off on Saturday afternoon and Lloyd finished a respectable 10th.

Lloyd is also running seventh following the opening round of the Darley Moor championship in the lightweight series and second in the four-strike class. He also sits seventh in the Tonfanau 400cc championship and has been accepted to race at the Southern 100 in July, which welcomes some of the world's best road racers over on the Isle of Man.

Meanwhile, Pete Wright, Martyn Siviter and Harry Blades were back in action for 'crazy race' during round two of the No Limits Endurance championship at Brands Hatch.

Ex-Albion and Villa man is Cowes boss

FORMER Albion and Villa winger Steve Hunt has been appointed manager of Cowes Sports on the Isle of Wight.

The 60-year-old, who won two caps for England in 1984, was named boss of the ninth-tier team on the last day of the season after they assured their Sydenhams Premier League survival. Hunt's only previous managerial experience came at Willenhall Town in the late 1980s, although he also worked as a youth team coach for Port Vale and Leicester City.

Delighted

Cowes Sports FC made the announcement on their Facebook page, saying: "We're delighted to announce that former Coventry, West Brom, Villa and England winger Steve Hunt is our new 1st Team manager. Welcome Steve!"

The Sydenhams Premier League feeds into Southern League Division One South and West.

Until Jake Livermore featured against Germany last month, Hunt held the record as the last Albion outfield player to line up for England.

Gethin: Time's right to hang up gloves

FOR Walsall fighter Martin Gethin, the sport of boxing has dominated his life since he was a wide-eyed eight-year old boy.

Now, he draws the curtains on what would transpire to be a bit of whirlwind 13-year professional career to say the least.

After suffering a third round stoppage defeat against the impressive and unbeaten Jack Catterall on Frank Warren's 'A New Era' bill, Gethin made the decision to bring an end to an era of his own.

Recalling his final performance under the bright lights of another arena show, Gethin reflected on the build-up: "I felt really good going into the fight. I felt strong building up to it: my body was in good shape.

"As soon as I got into the fight, it was just like nothing was there. I don't know why. It was just like it was all gone.

"I realised straight away. As I was throwing my jab, it didn't seem like there was any strength or speed there."

"I thought 'this is it now, you have all these younger ones on their way up, time to knock it on the head' and now it's time to focus on that – focus on helping to bring the younger ones through."

Paceman Dan Wale will spearhead Pelsall's attack this year

Ex-Pelsall man Steve Blews has joined Hammerwich

Cricket clubs looking to hit their rivals for six

THE Staffordshire Club Cricket Championship Premier Division season has opened up with 12 teams vying for glory.

SPORTING FEATURE

By Jack Bradley

Milford Hall took the spoils last summer and a place in the Birmingham League, but who will be successful this year? We take a look at the top flight line-up.

Aldridge CC
Captain: Dan Shortland
One to watch: Royeth Hussain

Aldridge go into the season with a new philosophy after a campaign that saw them finish soundly in mid-table in 2016. This summer will see the side line-up with more fresh faces, having done the majority of their recruitment internally by promoting players from their youth team. Captain Dan Shortland believes that approach will prove to be exciting at least. "We are excited really," he said. "We are looking to change the focus of the club as we have lost about five members of the first team. Now we have a lot of younger players stepping up. In particular, this is the year that I am looking forward to seeing the emergence of Royeth Hussain."

Beacon CC
Captain: Daniel Green
One to watch: Tom Bingham

Having finished runners-up for the past two seasons, Beacon will have a new man in charge this summer with Dan Green taking on the lead role. It's an opportunity that Green is relishing, having started his playing days as a youngster at the club. "I am really looking forward to it," he said. "I have played for Beacon since I was a young lad and it is something I always really wanted to do." Green predicts the usual suspects will be in the mix for title glory. "There is the usual teams – Pelsall and Penn are always tough and then teams like Cannock and Hammerwich, who are always towards the top of the table," he said.

Cannock CC
Captain: Will Fleet
One to watch: Adam Benton

What could be considered a new project is being undertaken at Cannock, as the club is trying to develop both on and off the pitch after last season's third-placed finish. The season ahead will still be about developing the club. "We were never really in the mix to get promoted in the end," said skipper Will Fleet. "It was a good experience, though. Now, we are hoping to just make sure we carry on improving the team." Improvement could come in the form of overseas player Nick Trebilcock – a left-handed batsman from New Zealand – while Adam Benton and Matt Cotterill are both tipped to impress by Fleet. Off the pitch, the club also has plans to develop a new clubhouse.

Springvale CC
Captain: Richard Homer
One to watch: Paul Baker

Springvale make their return to the Premier Division after winning Division One. The team were relegated in 2015 but managed to bounce back at the first time of asking. "It's exciting being back in the league – winning the league last year to come back up was a big accomplishment," said captain Richard Homer. "Our main target is staying up this year." Springvale's bid will be aided by the arrival of experienced former Walsall opening batsman Paul Baker and off-spinner David Geran, while Paul Baker who has previously opened the batting at Walsall and is an ex-Birmingham league player will be one to watch for the forthcoming campaign.

Penn CC
Captain: Mark Green
One to watch: Sandeep Dhillon

Penn will be another team going into the campaign with a new captain leading the charge with Mark Green stepping up. Green is relishing the prospect of leading his side – a favourite by many to contend for the title. "It's my first time as captain this year, so hopefully we can push for the title," he said. "It's a strong side and we have added a few players who will come in and help a lot." One of those players is former Himley and Brewood paceman Danny Smith, pictured left, while a more familiar face, Sandeep Dhillon, is the one to watch this season. "Sandeep is opening batsman and he's a strong player with lots of experience from the Birmingham League and in the Staffs League." explained Green.

Hammerwich CC
Captain: John Jennings
One to watch: Ben Novis

Hammerwich will begin their campaign having made three new additions in the bowling department, bringing in Steve Blews, Jamie Holmes and Ben Novis. Coming off the back of a steady season last year in which they finished fourth in the standings, captain John Jennings believes the additions will help push on an already strong side. "We matched any team that we played last year," said Jennings, "The new players will make us stronger this season. We're looking forward to it now, especially as we have brought in these new players."

Pelsall CC
Captain: Danny Pennell
One to watch: Jake Lee

Pelsall will be looking to build on their fifth-place finish, with their relegation hangover no longer looming from the 2015 campaign. The club have gone through a period of transition with players coming and going, but skipper Danny Pennell believes they have added a lot of quality. "It's been quite transitional really but we have brought in four really good players," he said. "Jake Lee, Tom Wright, Dan Wale and and Australian Thomas Gravina have all come in. They bring much more athleticism in the field. There has really been an influx of youth." Regarding 'one to watch' Jake Lee, Pennell believes he is at the right club at the right time to progress.

Rugeley CC
Captain: Scott Gretton
One to watch: Ali Fawcett

Rugeley club captain Scott Gretton has been quick to emphasise the quality of his team before their season-opener against Penn as they look forward to competing in the top flight following last season's promotion. Gretton said: "I'm very excited about the season because it's a very competitive league. We have got people who joined the club last season but could not play due to work commitments now available which will make a difference." Regarding the arrival of Austrlaian overseas player Nathan Timbrell, Gretton added: "He wants to come over here and get some more experience. It is exciting because he has played at a decent standard of cricket in Australia."

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Sport

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UK finals for team all from same school

THE under-18 girls team from Olympia Cannock handball club have now reached the national finals in both the cup and the league – and are on course for the double, having been unbeaten throughout the season.

A 20-9 victory over Poole ensured that they will play at the Copper Box, in London, on May 21 against Warrington Wolves.

What is more remarkable is that the team is made up of 12 girls who all attend the same school – Cardinal Griffin Catholic College – and live within three miles of Cannock. They play teams from all areas of the UK, many with a large pool of players to draw upon.

The success of the team has resulted in the launch of the Cameron Initiative, a three-year programme to promote girls handball throughout the Midlands area.

Midlands home builders Cameron were that impressed with the achievement that they decided to provide £45,000 over three years to help promote and develop the game for girls in 15 Midland schools.

The scheme provides equipment and regular coaching sessions delivered by national coaches for free. It has been extremely well received and is seen as a strong foundation for the game to move forward in this area.

The financial support from Cameron has not only helped Olympia Cannock, but has resulted in Birmingham's first female club B73 Handball being established at Sutton Coldfield and an emerging club for East Staffordshire near Lichfield.

The contact with Cardinal Griffin is even deeper, with team coach Maria Moore being an ex-student who was in the 1985 national schools winning team.

Nothing low-key at all about final game of season

Heath Hayes 0 Hinckley AFC 2

HAYES' final game of the season ended with this excellent advert for all that is good about non-league football.

Two teams giving of their best, an excellent pitch, a good referee and a 200-plus crowd out to enjoy the game with plenty of rivalry but all going home peacefully having had a good day out.

With Hinckley having secured runners-up spot in midweek, it could have been expected to be a low-key affair.

Not a bit of it. Both teams went flat out to gain early supremacy playing some good football but in the main defences were on top.

The deadlock was broken on the half hour when Ryan Searle played in Paul Sullivan and the former Chasetown favourite controlled the ball well and from the edge of the box fired home via the inside of a post.

Hayes came back strongly and should have equalised but Kyle Minto and Luke Delaney got into a mix up and it ended with the latter shooting wide.

The second half went more the way of the visitors who showed why they have finished up were they are with some slick fast-flowing football and sealed the game in the 65th minute through Sullivan.

Double cup success is a first for school

The boys' success came in the Under 15 County Cup

FOR the first time in Wolgarston's history the school has won both the Staffordshire Schools Football Association Girls and Boys County Cup at under-15 level.

A spokesman for the Cannock Road school said: "This is a fantastic achievement and demonstrates the massive strides the school is taking in developing both boys' and girls' football using our 3G facilities."

On April 3, the female team travelled to St Georges Park for their County Cup Final. They played Chesterton High School in perfect conditions on the David Beckham 3G pitch.

After going 2-1 down, they showed excellent resilience and managed to battle through and win the game 3-2.

The boys' success came later in the month when the Year 10 football team competed in the final of the Under 15 County Cup, their opponents being Repton School.

The game was played at Stafford Town Football Club and finished 1-1 after extra time with a Wolgarston goal scored by Alex Hallchurch.

In the deciding shoot-out, all of Wolgarston's penalty takers found the back of the net, and it was left to goalkeeper Sam Edmunds to save Repton's sixth penalty and win the County Cup for Wolgarston.

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Mitchell Adams

He is regularly competing against the world's best. Adams, from Cannock, founded Wolverhampton CrossFit in 2013 and is now helping many others in the region increase their stamina and health by means of the workout.

One unexpected high-profile customer was none other than Wolverhampton Olympic hero Kristian Thomas. The gymnast was keen to test out the sport after learning of its gymnast elements and stopped by at Adams' HQ in Wednesfield and instantly became involved.

As the gym – alongside Adams' competitive performances – go from strength-to-strength, the 25-year-old former Norton Caines High School student is able to call Olympic bronze medallist Thomas his business partner.

Adams' goal for 2017 is to finally break the sport's homeland. In May, he will travel to Madrid for the fourth time to compete in the European final stage of the Reebok CrossFit Games.

Qualifying itself was no mean feat, ranking as first in the United Kingdom and 19th in Europe, with just 30 spaces available.

From there, the top five in the Spanish capital will make the CrossFit World Championship Finals in Wisconsin. It is the first year the games have been moved away from San Francisco.

Not bad for someone whose aim was to improve his rugby four years ago. "I got competitive after trying it out and then just got better at it," said the gym owner. It was just before I turned 21 when I started and from there I saw an opportunity to set a gym up, I took that opportunity and it's been competitive."

The CrossFit workouts help to increase stamina and health

Now Adams, whose mum Tracey, dad Lee and 16-year-old brother Nick also practise the sport, is giving back as he aims to push the sport throughout the West Midlands.

He coaches alongside close friend Samantha Downing and Andrew Jones, who are joint-owners. He also teaches part-time public services at Walsall College. Members range from all ages. One of Adams' students is 62-year-old and now ranked fourth in the UK for their category. "I coach about 21 hours a week," he added. "I have groups and private sessions and we do CrossFit gym workshops."

Adams tasted CrossFit coaching for the first time at a nearby gym in Cannock before feeling the urge to pursue the business and establish his own coaching set-up.

Mum Tracey added: "Mitchell went to a gym to try it and then decided to do it himself. He's completely self-driven and so motivated with so much focus - the interest has gone through the roof." For more information visit https://www.crossfitwolverhampton.co.uk/

Victory again out of reach for Cannock

Hammerwich 1st XI vs Cannock 1st XI

CANNOCK CC 1st XI travelled to Hammerwich hoping to claim their first win of the season.

The visitors made a good start with Ed Martin claiming the first three wickets of the innings. However, Andy Malkin proved to be the key batsman for the home side with 121 not out. Hammerwich ended on 242-7,, Ed Martin the pick of the Cannock bowlers with 3-51.

Cannock's top scorers were Matt Cottrell with 53 and James Caswell with 29 as the visitors ended on 162-8, giving them a second consecutive losing draw.

Cannock 2nd XI vs Old Wulfrunians Tettenhall 1st XI

A raft of unavailable players meant a very young Cannock side turned out on Saturday. The visitors set a daunting total of 305-5, Matt Osborne returning the best bowling figures of 2-42.

Cannock stuck at their task and 16-year-old James Boden scored 28 and 14-year-old Cameron Osborne scored 29 as the hosts finished on 112-7 to earn a losing draw.

Cannock 3rd XI vs Whitmore Reans 2nd XI

Aaron Saunders held the Cannock innings together with an excellent 38 while special mention must go to 12-year-old Max Goddard who scored 20 on his 3rd XI debut. The hosts were eventually bowled out for 130 in the final over.

The visitors took a very aggressive approach to their run chase but a steady stream of wickets kept Cannock in with a chance. Whitmore Reans eventually came out on top by two wickets in a very tight game, Matthew Bull being the pick of the Cannock bowlers with 4-21.

Penn 4th XI vs Cannock 4th XI

Cannock 4th XI collected their first win of the season as Penn were unable to raise a team and conceded the game.

Training sessions during 'rest month'

CANNOCK United open their doors for open training throughout May.

Sessions take place every Tuesday, from 7.15 to 9pm, at Cardinal Griffin School, off Stafford Road, at a cost of £3.

It is the club's 'rest' month where players who are signed for the next season can take a break, returning for pre-season on June 13. This gives fresh players a chance to train, impress and stake a claim for one of the valued squad numbers for 2017-18 season.

If interested contact the club through the website or Facebook, or email cannockunitedfc@outlook.com

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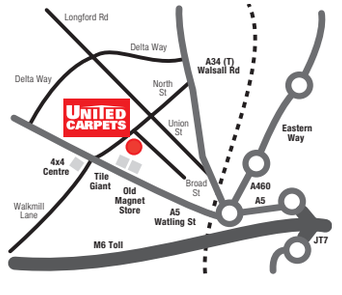

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